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UNITED STATES RECOGNISES ONLY NATIONAL GOVERNMENT IN CHINA:

STATEMENT BY CORDELL HULL



MR. CORDELL HULL

WASHINGTON, MAR. 31 (REUTER).—MR. CORDELL HULL, UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF STATE, declared yesterday: "Of course the United States will continue to recognise the Chinese national Government at Chungking rather than the Japanese-sponsored regime at Nanking."

"IN VIEW OF WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN VARIOUS PARTS OF CHINA since 1931, the setting up of the new regime has the appearance of a further step in the programme of one country by armed force imposing its will upon a neighbouring country and blocking off a large area of the world from normal political and economic relationships with the rest of the world."

"The developments there appear to be following the pattern of other regimes and systems which have been set up in China under the aegis of an outside power and deny nationals of the United States and other countries the enjoyment of long-established rights to equal and fair treatment which legally and justly is theirs."

"The Government of the United States has noted the statements of high officials of that outside power that their country intends the political freedom and independence of the other country and that with the development of affairs in East Asia, this intention will be demonstrated."

"To this Government, circumstances, both military and diplomatic, which are setting up the new regime at Nanking do not seem consistent with such intention."

POLICY KNOWN

"The attitude of the United States towards the use of armed force as an instrument of national policy is well-known. Its attitude and position in regard to the various aspects of the situation in the Far East have been made clear on numerous occasions. That attitude and position remain unchanged."

"This Government again makes full reservation of this country's rights under international law and existing treaties and agreements."

"Twelve years ago the Government of the United States recognised the National Government of the Republic of China. The Government of the United States has ample reason for believing the Government, with its seat now in Chungking, has still the allegiance and support of the majority of the Chinese people."

"The Government of the United States, of course, will continue to recognise that Government."

FORMAL DECLARATION

WASHINGTON, MAR. 31 (REUTER).—The Chinese Embassy has presented a formal declaration to the State Department denouncing the new Chinese "Central Government" as nothing more than a puppet organisation created and controlled by Japanese militarists.

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Dawn Attack Repulsed

FRENCH CAPTURE GERMAN

PARIS, MAR. 31 (REUTER).—An attack at dawn by German troops against a French post in the region of Nied was repulsed. The Germans were driven off with men killed and some taken prisoner.

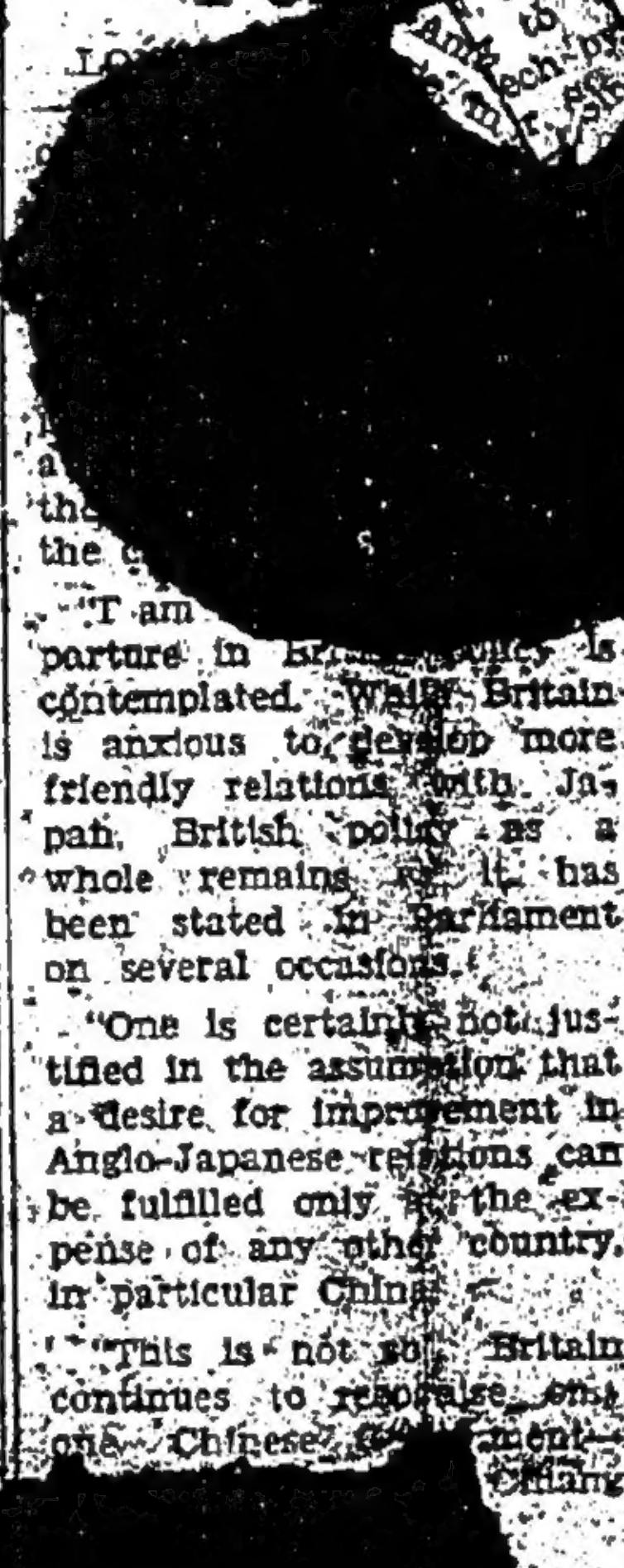
North of Bitche, after artillery preparation, the Germans attacked two French outposts lying fairly close together. The French repulsed the Germans.

A High Command communiqué issued in Berlin says that the Western Front, between the Moselle and the Rhine, there were several encounters between our own and enemy patrols on Mar. 29 and 30.

North of Saargemünd, a patrol succeeded in taking several prisoners.

A commentary on the Western Front operations, published by the German News Agency, states that patrol reconnaissance activity was fairly intensive. It states that one German patrol captured an officer, a sergeant and four privates. A machine gun was captured in heavy fighting between one of our patrols and the enemy outposts. The enemy lost on this occasion some ten killed and a number of wounded while German losses were very light.

No Change In British Far East Policy



COMPLETE PEACE PLAN WORKED OUT BY MUSSOLINI: 8 POINTS

Simultaneous Disarmament On The Land, Air And Sea

PARIS, MAR. 31 (Havas).—Signor Mussolini has worked out a complete peace plan which he will eventually make public and which revives the "Four Powers" pact initiated in 1935, the well-known political commentator M. Emile Berte writes in his paper, "L'Ordre".

Signor Berte gives the following particulars of Mussolini's plan, and the alleged source of the plan, Signor Virginio Gayda, for the first time confirmed by articles by Signor Gayda in the semi-official monthly paper.

1. Full credit for all their scores.

2. Creation of new states.

3. Recognition of religious freedom.

4. Recognition of freedom of international trade and access to the seas.

5. Former colonies to be returned to Germany in 20 years time.

6. Generalisation of the "Four Powers" pact to include all powers.

7. Creation of a new League of Nations.

8. Simultaneous disarmament on land, air and sea.

WANTS U.S. FLEET CONCENTRATED IN PACIFIC

LOS ANGELES, MAR. 31 (REUTER).—Mr. Cullen, Secretary of the Navy, said that he opposed the idea of a "two ocean navy" as every sound strategic conclusion demanded the maintenance of the fleet as a single co-ordinated unit in the Pacific.

He also denied that the forthcoming naval war games was in any way a threat to Japan.

Soong Sisters Fly To Chungking

Messdames Chiang Kai-shek Sun Yat-sen and H. H. Kung left here for Chungking by plane yesterday morning. They were accompanied by Mr. W. H. Donald. The three famous sisters will proceed to visit various fronts mainly in the provinces of the "Friends of the Wounded."

The movement has been spreading throughout Free China. Its object is to aid Chinese wounded soldiers in all possible ways.

A Hongkong Committee of the movement was formed at a meeting of representatives of all Chinese women's organisations in the Colony held in Madame H. H. Kung's residence last week. Among those present were Messdames Sun Yat-sen, H. H. Kung, Sun Fo, C. O. Wu, Wu Te-chun, Kan Kiu-tob, Miss Liao, Messdames Soong Ai-sun, Mrs. Wang Shao To-lan, Miss Yung Mou-chao, Miss Ho Ma-lan and Mrs. Lo Man-shan.

WORTHY MOVEMENT

Referring to the movement, Madame Chiang said, "I know of no movement more worthy of your support than the 'Friends of the Wounded'. To support those who are risking their lives for our country, to heal the wounds of those whose blood is enriching the earth in defence of the soil of our ancestors, to care for those who are defending the honour of Chinese womanhood, is not this a call to which all Chinese, may, all decent human hearts, cannot but respond?"

After paying a glowing tribute to Madame Chiang's courage and patriotism, Madame Sun proposed that a Hongkong Committee of the "Friends of the Wounded" be formed with Madame H. H. Kung as Honorary President. The motion was seconded by Madame Sun Fo. Madame Kung amidst an enthusiastic applause was unanimously elected as Honorary President and Madame C. C. Wu as Chairman. The Standing Committee will comprise one representative from each women's organisation.

Big Turkish Shipping Order

SPECIAL TO H. K. DAILY PRESS
ANKARA, MAR. 31 (Havas).—An order for the construction of 11 steamers, to the total value of \$2,000,000, has been placed by the Turkish Government with Swan, Hunter, Wiggin and Richardson, of Wallsend-on-Tyne. It is one of the biggest orders placed with British shipping for a long time.

DO NOT DESIRE TO WIDEN AREA OF WAR BUT DESTROY NAZI CURSE

CHURCHILL REVIEWS HIS POSITION ON NEUTRAL STATES

LONDON, MAR. 31 (REUTER).—Broadcasting a review of the progress made in the war, Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, said that when he spoke to his listeners six months ago he said that if we reached the Spring without any great event we should have gained an important success. He still felt that this additional period of preparing had been an invaluable help to the Allies.

The peaceful parliamentary nations had more difficulties in transforming themselves into vast war-making organisations than the dictator states, who glorify war and feed their youths on dreams of conquest, he said.

"The British Empire and French Republic," he said, "are now joined together in an indissoluble union so that their purpose may be accomplished, and immense progress has been made in almost every direction in strengthening their forces, improving their defences and adapting their whole economy and mode of life to the service of the common cause. Up to the present, time has been on our side, but time is a changeable ally."

"Our resources and manpower, once they are fully developed, will massively exceed those of the enemy."

The First Lord went on to say that the "British and French races together amount to 110 million against less than 70 million Germans—for you cannot count the 16 million they are holding down by brute force."

"Through our command of the sea, which is becoming continually more complete than ever, the resources of the whole world are to a very large extent open to us, and surveying the whole scene we may rightly feel the good assurance that if we do our best we shall not fail."

Discussing whether the war would be a long or short war, Mr. Churchill said, "It might have been a very short war—but we can now measure it in its



MR. CHURCHILL

Nazi Bombs For The Dutch

DIRECT HIT IN TRAWLER

LONDON, MAR. 31 (REUTER).—Eight seamen survivors, from a crew of 12, of the Dutch trawler, Protinus, which was sunk by a German plane, are now in hospital at a Scottish east coast port after drifting six days in an open boat, without food and water, until they were picked up by the British submarine, Unity.

One of them, interviewed, said that when the Nazi plane appeared, they waved, thinking it was an allied machine. A shower of bombs was the only answer they got, one of the missiles striking the bridge, killing the captain and the mate.

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In the World of Sports



EASTERN DEFEAT SOUTH CHINA "A" IN FINAL BEFORE RECORD CROWD

Thrilling Football At Caroline Hill: Hsu King-seng Brilliant

A SENSATIONAL FIRST MINUTE GOAL BY EASTERN AND A DECIDING GOAL BY HAU CHING-TO, when the score was 2-2 towards the close of the game, led to the defeat of the South China "A" holders of the Senior Shield since 1936, in the final at Caroline Hill yesterday before a record crowd, estimated at well over 10,000. Eastern won by the odd goal in five.

In the Junior Shield Final, 30th R.A. won deservedly from Royal Engineers by 2-1 after leading 1-0 in the first half.

At the conclusion of the senior game, Lady MacGregor, wife of the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, gave away the respective shields to Lau Chi-tsun, captain of Eastern, and Halpin, of the 30th R.A., amidst thunderous ovation.

As was generally expected, one of the most thrilling and hard-fought games was witnessed in the Senior Shield final. The pace was fast and furious from start to finish—the standard of soccer was not high but the game was packed full of thrilling incidents. An unfortunate feature was the innumerable occasions when the referee had to caution players of both sides for dangerous play.

FULLY DESERVED

Eastern, in wrestling the title from South China "A", may be said to have deserved their victory. To Hsu King-seng Eastern's centre-half must go full honours of the day. He gave one of the most outstanding performances to date and his display against such a formidable attacking line as the South China "A", especially when led by the inimitable Lee Wai-tong, was a masterpiece.

ADVERTISEMENT

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 6th April, 1940, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The first Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 2778) will close at 12 o'clock NOON.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Telephone 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary

Hong Kong, 1st April, 1940.

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SOCCER BATTLE ROYAL IN MUD

Royal Scots Lose To Kowloon

Despite the heavy rain on Saturday, Kowloon Football Club and Royal Scots played off their First Division Football League fixture, Kowloon emerging the winners by two goals to nil after a battle royal in the mud.

The slippery surface put the Royals, with their short passing game, at a disadvantage, and Kowloon, managing to keep the ball more in the air, had the better of the exchanges.

Kowloon were without Williamson, but otherwise fielded one of their strongest teams of the season. Smith, in goal, was wonderfully safe. Eastman and Ulrich stood up to the Royals' forward line, and cleared their lines safely when danger threatened.

Of the others, Bliss, in the half back line, and Santos, Knox and Jackson among the forwards, were in good form. Santos settled down early to the heavy ground and was the most dangerous of the Kowloon forwards.

SCOTS' DEFENCE

Naysmith and Clark were the pick of the Scots' defence. The former was clever in anticipating the ball, while Clark made full use of his clever footwork and used his head to advantage. The Scots' forward line was weak. Gordon and Hossack being the only two forwards to show up to any advantage.

The first goal for Kowloon was scored by Knox, who followed up an opening by Santos, dashing through the Scots' defence to beat Duncan with a hard drive. The half-time score was 1-0.

In the second half, the Scots pressed the Kowloon defence but were not able to score. Kowloon went further ahead when Jackson netted on a pass from Knox. The game was ended in the rain and in particularly bad light.

The teams were: Royal Scots: Duncan; Naysmith and Fraser; Fleming, Parnaby and Clark; Munro, Gordon, Hossack, Holden and Gilroy.

Kowloon: Smith; Eastman, Ulrich; Maxwell, Bliss, White; Tomashevsky, Santos, Knox, Jackson and Bell.

Eastern movements by keen anticipation and first-time clearances. Fok Yui-wah at right-half, made a glaring mistake when he totally ignored his wing man who was practically starved for passes throughout the game.

Of the forwards, Lai Shiu-wing and Tang Kwong-sun were prominent, whilst Lee Wai-tong delighted his many supporters by scoring the equaliser with a first-time angular shot.

Fung King-cheong, never received adequate support from his wing-half and, as a result, did not give a good showing. Ip Pak-wa, at outside left, was the worst of the forwards and his centres were very erratic.

Play opened in sensational manner and in the first minute, from a free kick by Lee Tak-kee, Chung Yung-sun cut in to score with a fast shot after Tam Kwan-kon had failed to hold the ball.

Immediately after, South China attacked, but found Hsu King-seng playing exceptionally well. South China continued to press and from a pass by Ip Pak-wa on the left, Lai Shiu-wing had hard luck when his shot just missed.

From the goal kick, play was transferred to the South China end where Hsu King-seng nearly scored from a melee in the goal-mouth, but owing to the number of defenders around, his shot was blocked. Play was very even at this stage with both sides staging innumerable attacks on each goal but with no ultimate result. Li Tin-sang was playing a sterling game and relieved many dangerous situations with hefty clearances.

THE EQUALISER

In the 22nd minute of the game, Fung brought the crowd to its feet, when, from a pass by Lee Wai-tong he equalised with a fast shot which entered the far corner of the net. Before the echoes of the crowd died off, a deafening roar again broke out in the next minute when from the resumption

SOFTBALL SURPRISE

P.I. And India Victorious

In one of the most surprising days of softball since the inception of this sport in Hongkong, the Philippines beat the Chinese after having had the worst of the game in every respect in yesterday's International Series.

Although Amper pitched a very steady game for the winners, he was definitely over-shadowed by his opposite number Tuffy Chin, who pitched five to Amper's one.

The game was a walk to one. The Philippines were hit for 10 runs in the first inning and were never in the game.

On the day, they had much the best of the American team and only brilliant play interspersed with bad play narrowed the margin to what it was.

Hearther saved several tallies with a brilliant catch at short right field, although he was playing first base, while Dick Venezia atoned for a couple of bad mistakes with some splendid catching. India were a long way ahead of the Americans in hits, but all of the extra base clouts went to the losers. Wilson doubled, but the highlight of the game was Doc Molloy's home run.

In the end, the Philippines won 10-1, the Chinese 1-0.

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Richardson Scores 84

Kowloon Beat C.S.C.C.

A contribution of 84 runs by J. E. Richardson enabled the Civil Service Cricket Club to declare at 198 for 5 wickets against the Kowloon Cricket Club in a friendly match played at Cox's Path yesterday.

The K.C.C. were, however, able to pass this total with three wickets in hand.

The scores:—

CIVIL SERVICE C.C.
J. E. Richardson, b. Anderson 84
W. H. E. Colledge, c. Broad-
bridge, b. Lloyd 18
A. E. Perry, c. Mulcahy, b. 1st
Lor 28
R. H. Griffiths, lbw. b. Lloyd 6
D. McEllan, b. Lloyd 11
D. Hollidge, not out 18
K. J. Atwell, not out 28
Extras (B7) 7

Total (for 5 wks. dec.) 198
B. C. K. Hawkins, F. E. Lawrence, N. B. M. Whitley and R. J. Fenton did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Taylor	11	1	52	1
Fincher	7	0	39	0
Lloyd	18	0	81	3
Anderson	4	0	19	1

D. Hung, b. Fenton 40
W. Mulcahy, b. Fenton 9
N. A. E. Mackay, st. Colledge, b. Fenton 16
D. J. N. Anderson, st. Colledge, b. Hawkins 60
E. F. Fincher, b. Fenton 53
A. Zimmern, not out 6
R. J. Atwell, b. Whitley 0
D. Lloyd, c. Hollidge, b. Fenton 1

Total (for 7 wks.) 198
Taylor, not out 12
Extras (B8, LB2, WB1, NB1) 12

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fincher	6	1	30	0
McEllan	7	0	43	1
Fenton	12	2	50	5
Whitley	11.1	1	53	1
Hawkins	1	0	10	1

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RAIN FAILS TO DAMPEN RIFLEMEN'S SPIRITS

Good Scores Returned Under Poor Conditions On Saturday

The heavy rain that fell on Saturday washed out almost the entire sports programme, the only game played being the First Division Football match between Kowloon and the Royal Scots.

But it failed to deter Hongkong's marksmen from carrying out the day's programme at the Rifle Range, where the Rifle Association's Annual Prize Meeting had been in progress for the greater part of the week.

GOOD SCORES
The day's shooting opened with the Second Stage of the Bisley Meeting when the Stickle-down Competition was fired off at 500 yards, and in spite of the unfavourable conditions scores were remarkably high. S/Sgt. Hale (Middlesex) and E. R. A. Templeton tying for first place in the SR (b) Class X with 49 points each out of a possible 50.

Saturday's results were:—

SIBERIA COMPETITION
S.R.A. Class "X"
1. L/Sgt. Leong (H.K.P.R.) 41
2. L/Cpl. Pemberton (R.E.) 40
3. Sgt. Wall (H.K.P.) 40
4. Sgt. Russell (H.K.P.) 38
5. Sgt. Perkins (H.K.P.) 38
6. Insp. Hopkins (H.K.P.) 38
7. Capt. Sequeira (H.K.V.D.C.) 37
8. P/Sgt. Hoo (H.K.P.R.) 36
9. P/Sgt. Hoo (H.K.P.R.) 36
10. P/Sgt. Hoo (H.K.P.R.) 36

Consolation Prizes
1. Cpl. Plummer (1 Mx.) 38
2. Sgt. Green (2 R.S.) 38
3. Mr. Tynemouth (D.R.C.) 38
4. Sgt. Russell (H.K.P.) 38
5. Sgt. Perkins (H.K.P.) 38
6. Insp. Hopkins (H.K.P.) 38
7. Capt. Sequeira (H.K.V.D.C.) 37
8. P/Sgt. Hoo (H.K.P.R.) 36
9. P/Sgt. Hoo (H.K.P.R.) 36
10. P/Sgt. Hoo (H.K.P.R.) 36

THE SIBERIA COMPETITION
S.R.A. Class "M"
1. LAC. Golder (R.A.F.) 39
2. Mr. Medhurst (D.R.C.) 39
3. Mr. Barton (R.M.) 37
4. Mr. Barton (R.M.) 37
5. Mr. Barton (R.M.) 37
6. Mr. Barton (R.M.) 37
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8. Mr. Barton (R.M.) 37
9. Mr. Barton (R.M.) 37
10. Mr. Barton (R.M.) 37

Consolation Prizes
1. Pte. Allan (2 R.S.) 38
2. L/S. Walker (2 R.S.) 35
3. Pte. Sim (2 R.S.) 35
4. Pte. Sim (2 R.S.) 35
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STICKLEDOWN COMPETITION
S.R.A. Class "M"
1. Pte. Sim (2 R.S.) 42
2. Sgt. Whitley (2 R.S.) 42
3. P.C. Bachan (Singh) (H.K.P.) 42
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10. Mr. Medhurst (D.R.C.) 41

STICKLEDOWN COMPETITION
S.R.A. Class "X"
1. Cpl. Hawkins (R.E.) 45
2. L/Sgt. Baker (1 Mx.) 45
3. Cpl. Hammond (H.K.V.D.C.) 45
4. Cpl. Hammond (H.K.V.D.C.) 45
5. Cpl. Hammond (H.K.V.D.C.) 45
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9. Cpl. Hammond (H.K.V.D.C.) 45
10. Cpl. Hammond (H.K.V.D.C.) 45

Consolation Prizes
1. L/C. Wood (2 R.S.) 44
2. L/S. Pan (H.K.P.R.) 43
3. Sgt. Green (2 R.S.) 43
4. Sgt. Green (2 R.S.) 43
5. Sgt. Green (2 R.S.) 43
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10. Sgt. Green (2 R.S.) 43

STICKLEDOWN COMPETITION
S.R.B. Class "M"
1. Sgt. Bremner (2 R.S.) 45
2. CSM. Challis (1 Mx.) 45
3. Pte. Scott, 40 (2 R.S.) 45
4. LAC. Hunt (R.A.F.) 45
5. LAC. Hunt (R.A.F.) 45
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Consolation Prizes to follow.

BAGSHOT COMPETITION
S.R.A. Class "M"
1. Sgt. Ghulam Mohamad (H.K.P.) 30
2. Pte. Scott, 73 (2 R.S.) 30
3. Lt. Sharma, (5/6 Raj. Rif.) 28
4. Lt. Sharma, (5/6 Raj. Rif.) 28
5. Lt. Sharma, (5/6 Raj. Rif.) 28
6. Lt. Sharma, (5/6 Raj. Rif.) 28
7. Lt. Sharma, (5/6 Raj. Rif.) 28
8. Lt. Sharma, (5/6 Raj. Rif.) 28
9. Lt. Sharma, (5/6 Raj. Rif.) 28
10. Lt. Sharma, (5/6 Raj. Rif.) 28

Consolation Prizes
1. Cpl. Lochrie (2 R.S.) 25
2. L/Sgt. Walker (2 R.S.) 25
3. Sgt. Whitley (2 R.S.) 23
4. Sgt. Whitley (2 R.S.) 23
5. Sgt. Whitley (2 R.S.) 23
6. Sgt. Whitley (2 R.S.) 23
7. Sgt. Whitley (2 R.S.) 23
8. Sgt. Whitley (2 R.S.) 23
9. Sgt. Whitley (2 R.S.) 23
10. Sgt. Whitley (2 R.S.) 23

BAGSHOT COMPETITION
S.R. (a) Class "X"
1. Spr. Allo (R.E.) 29
2. Sgt. Baker (1 Mx.) 28
3. L/Cpl. Pemberton (R.E.) 26
4. L/Cpl. Pemberton (R.E.) 26
5. L/Cpl. Pemberton (R.E.) 26
6. L/Cpl. Pemberton (R.E.) 26
7. L/Cpl. Pemberton (R.E.) 26
8. L/Cpl. Pemberton (R.E.) 26
9. L/Cpl. Pemberton (R.E.) 26
10. L/Cpl. Pemberton (R.E.) 26

Consolation Prizes
1. L/Sgt. Leong (H.K.P.R.) 26
2. Pte. Bullen (2 R.S.) 25
3. L/C. Wood (2 R.S.) 24
4. L/C. Wood (2 R.S.) 24
5. L/C. Wood (2 R.S.) 24
6. L/C. Wood (2 R.S.) 24
7. L/C. Wood (2 R.S.) 24
8. L/C. Wood (2 R.S.) 24
9. L/C. Wood (2 R.S.) 24
10. L/C. Wood (2 R.S.) 24

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JAPAN PLAYS HER LAST LOOSING
CARD: CHINA'S POSITION DEFINED
IN NOTE ISSUED BY
FOREIGN MINISTRYScathing Attack On Wang's
Puppet Regime

CHUNGKING, March 30 (Central)—The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has sent identical notes to all diplomatic representatives in China making clear the Chinese Government's standpoint as regards Wang Ching-wei's puppet regime, which was formally established in Nanking this morning.

All Chinese diplomatic representatives abroad have been instructed to deliver the same note to their respective accreditations governments. The notes are in the Chinese language with English translations attached.

The note first pointed out that, after three years' aggressive war in China, which merely strengthened the Chinese determination to resist the Japanese militarists, have been forced, as a last resort, to create a puppet government in Nanking.

JAPAN'S AIM

Their aim is to violate China's sovereignty and destroy her independence and territorial and administrative integrity, thus uprooting international law, nullifying the Nine-Power Treaty, and eliminating Third-Power interests in China.

The note made it clear that all participants in the bogus Government are Japanese puppets, who have lost the last vestige of patriotism. They are deemed by the entire nation as the worst traitors and are proscribed by law.

The note makes the solemn declaration that, whatever action is taken by any illegally constituted organization, such as the one now established in Nanking, will be deemed completely null and void and will never be recognized by the Chinese Government and people.

UNFRIENDLY ACT

The Chinese Government is confident, the note stated, that the self-respecting nations of the world will uphold international law and justice by refusing to extend de jure or de facto recognition to whatever puppet organizations are set up by Japan.

The Chinese Government will deem as a most unfriendly act recognition in whatever form of Japan's puppet organizations, and will hold responsible whoever extends such recognition for whatever consequences result from it, the note declared.

Concluding, the note stated that the Chinese Government and people, regardless of whatever action is taken by Japan, are determined to resist Japanese aggression until the invaders are driven away from Chinese territory and right finally prevails over might.

SCATHING CHINESE
PRESS COMMENT

The creation of the bogus Central Government under Wang Ching-wei in Nanking evoked scathing comment from the leading Chinese newspapers in Hongkong on Saturday.

The influential Ta Kung Pao asserts that the new puppet regime will have no effect on China's resistance. Its establishment only exposes Japan's military exhaustion, political failure, economic stringency and diplomatic helplessness.

Purported primarily to dispose of the "China Incident," the new regime will only defeat its own purpose. With arms to resist, determination to sacrifice and confidence in the final victory the Chinese have no fear of the aggressor and, far less, the puppets. They are determined to fight to a finish and are ready to repel any military and political offensive.

LAST CARD

The paper describes the Wang Government as Japan's last card, played to induce the Powers with interests in China to come to terms with her, thereby breaking through her present diplomatic isolation.

The paper points out, however, that Britain has repeatedly announced her refusal to have anything to do with the puppet regime, while newspapers in America and Soviet Russia have bitterly denounced Wang.

The use by the bogus regime of the name "National Govern-

ment" and the "white sun and blue sky" flag to deceive the Chinese and third Powers, the journal says, can never succeed in its purpose. It merely indicates the bewilderment of the Japanese militarists and the lack of self-confidence on the part of the Wang Ching-wei group.

CHINA'S UNITY

The Sing Tao Jih Pao maintains suggests "consolidation" of the Wang regime will only help to further strengthen China's unity and her determination to resist.

The paper advises against total ignoring of the bogus regime and suggests consolidation of the political front.

Firstly, continued support to the National Government and Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's policy of resistance to the end should be pledged by the nation. Secondly, efforts should be exerted toward the further consolidation of unity between various political parties and armies in the country and the avoidance of friction between them.

Thirdly, the constitutional movement should be expanded.

COLLAPSE CERTAIN

The National Times believes that the new bogus regime will collapse sooner or later, as the people are all solidly behind the National Government.

The blunting of the Japanese bayonet which supports the puppet regime by thirty-three months of heroic Chinese resistance, the lack of competent men and real power in the puppet Government, and the weakening of the Wang Ching-wei group by defections are other factors that will spell the doom of the puppet regime.

STUDENTS INDIGNANT

CHUNGKING, Mar. 30 (Central)—Student patriotic activities have flared up again in Shanghai as a protest against the inauguration of a bogus Central Government in Nanking by Wang Ching-wei, who has been expelled by the Kuomintang and ordered by the National Government to be arrested and sentenced to death, says a Shanghai dispatch.

The students will take an oath to denounce Wang Ching-wei forever as a traitor and to continue their unwavering support of the National Government in Chungking.

Chinese professional, educational, cultural and other circles in the port city are joining in to voice their opposition to the Wang Ching-wei puppet regime.

PUPPETS WARNED

CHUNGKING, Mar. 30 (Central)—On the day of their assumption of the puppet posts today, Tao Hsi-sheng, erstwhile Wang Ching-wei's follower, who, together with Kuo Tsung-wu, made an expose of the Wang Ching-wei-Japan secret agreement on January 22, sent a telegram to Chow Fu-hai and Mei Sze-ping, respectively "Minister of Finance" and "Minister of Industry and Commerce" in the bogus Central Government, warning them of what their life as puppets would be like.

Tao said, inter alia: "In office you will have to take orders from Japanese officers and at home from Japanese gendarmes. Your daily duties will be to sign agreements betraying the country and selling out state property, and to execute orders of the Japanese overlords. While competing with other traitors in currying Japanese favour, you will sacrifice the lives of your fellow country-men."

Lieut. Comdr. James Jolly, R.N.R., has been appointed a Marine Magistrate with effect from Mar. 26, 1940.

SERVICE FOR
MR. SAVAGE

LONDON, Mar. 30 (Reuter)—A solemn Requiem Mass for the late Mr. M. J. Savage, Premier of New Zealand, will be said in Westminster Roman Catholic Cathedral on Tuesday in the presence of the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster.

In Wellington today, well over 100,000 people lined the streets as the body of the Dominion's Labour Premier was carried from Parliament House to the railway station.

The funeral takes place in Auckland.

MARTYRS' DAY
COMMEMORATED
IN SHANGHAI

CHUNGKING, March 31 (Central)—Chinese people in Shanghai yesterday commemorated the 25th anniversary of Chinese Revolutionary Martyrs' Day.

The national flag was flown at half-mast, and the courts, Customs Administration, Post Office, schools and factories declared a holiday. Many people abstained from taking part in amusement.

The Shanghai Self-Respect Movement Committee issued a message calling upon the people not to join any puppet organizations. The Kuomintang Headquarters in Shanghai, in a separate message, also enjoined the people to give their continued support to the National Government.

BRITAIN RECOGNISES ONLY
CHIANG REGIME: DIRECT
SNUB FOR WANG

LONDON, Mar. 30 (Reuter)—Britain will defend her treaty rights in China and has no intention of extending any form of recognition to the Wang Ching-wei "government," state political quarters in London commenting on today's events in Nanking.

Since December, 1938, it is pointed out, Wang Ching-wei has been negotiating with the Japanese for the establishment of a new government with the hope of replacing the Chungking administration.

His negotiations were obviously difficult, in view of the varying Japanese views and Wang's desire for real independence.

Wang has very little support from reputable Chinese and the support he obtains in the future depends on the amount of freedom he can obtain from Japanese control.

URGENT NECESSITY

Some sections of Japanese opinion regard the new "government" as an urgent necessity as Japan is war weary, and there is no doubt they would give him more freedom than the Japanese army in China.

Commercial interests will have relations with the new "government" under the compulsion of circumstances, but there will be no de jure recognition of the Wang regime.

Britain's attitude towards the new regime, the observer declared, is based on two main principles.

Firstly, our treaty rights in China.

Secondly, we consider that it is for the Chinese themselves to choose their own government.

Therefore we regard the Chiang Kai-shek Government as the National Government of China.

If Wang Ching-wei succeeds in establishing the confidence of his own countrymen and if his administration does not rest on the Japanese army, then the attitude of foreign governments may change.

That time is certainly not yet.

Shanghai Spends Very Quiet
"Inauguration" Day

SHANGHAI, March 30 (Reuter)—The inauguration of the "reorganised national government" at Nanking caused no serious political demonstrations in Shanghai today. The day passed comparatively quietly, with no shootings and no attempted assassinations such as marked previous political events and anniversaries.

The arrest of some pamphlet throwers, displays of the new government flag on many automobiles with the Wang Ching-wei pennant, and the patrolling of the streets by police and small units of troops, were the only visible signs.

STUDENTS FIGHT

Minor trouble occurred in the Settlement with bouts of fistfights between rival student factions.

Pamphlet distributors in the French Concession were seized by the police. The pamphlets were both for and against the Wang regime.

Some residents in the western district outside the Settlement are said to have been forced to fly the new government flag.

VOLUNTEERS PATROL
STREETS

Armoured cars and trucks filled with infantry and Shanghai Volunteer Corps members patrolled all day, aiding special police units.

British troops and American marines carried out patrols on foot and in lorries.

Some streets were closed with barbed wire.

Scores of Shanghai hire cars involuntarily carried advertisements of the new Wang regime after threats from the Chinese police of the Japanese-sponsored special municipal government outside the Settlement area, according to the Evening Post.

Drivers of hire cars are said to have been intimidated by special municipal police and forced to put the new government flag on their windshields.

HOLIDAYS ADVANCED

SHANGHAI, Mar. 30 (Havas)—The French Concession and International Settlement police are being mobilised for two days, and extraordinary precautions are being taken.

The foreign areas are surrounded by barbed wire, and pedestrians and cars entering these areas must

pass through a few heavily guarded passages where they are searched.

Meanwhile many Chinese private schools have decided to advance the usual Spring holiday and close for a week starting today, in order to avoid students' demonstrations.

SIR ROBERT CRAIGIE
NOT TO HAVE
CONSULTATIONS

LONDON, Mar. 30 (Reuter)—No newspaper hitherto has drawn the slightest attention to the formation of the Wang Ching-wei "government," a though the names of the members were revealed over a week ago.

Far Eastern circles are of opinion that the list is unimpressive, consisting of old henchmen of Wang's, members of the ex-Anfu clique and totally unknowns.

"FOR SAKE OF EFFECT"

An intimate friend now in London of Chen Kung-po, president of the legislative yuan in the new "government," is positive Chen is in Hongkong, whether he was reported recently to have fled, disliking the Japanese terms. The friend suggests Chen's name is included in the "government" for the sake of effect.

Official circles emphasize that Britain's attitude remains as frequently stated in Parliament, namely, that she adheres to the Nine-Power Treaty and recognises the legal Chinese Government and no other.

REPORTS REFUTED

Japanese reports that the British Ambassador in Tokyo, Sir Robert Craigie, will consult with President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Hull in America on the American attitude to Wang Ching-wei, are flatly denied in official circles in London.

It is stated here Sir Robert is going to America on purely private business and to take a much-needed holiday.

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LIGHT WEIGHT

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FOR MEN

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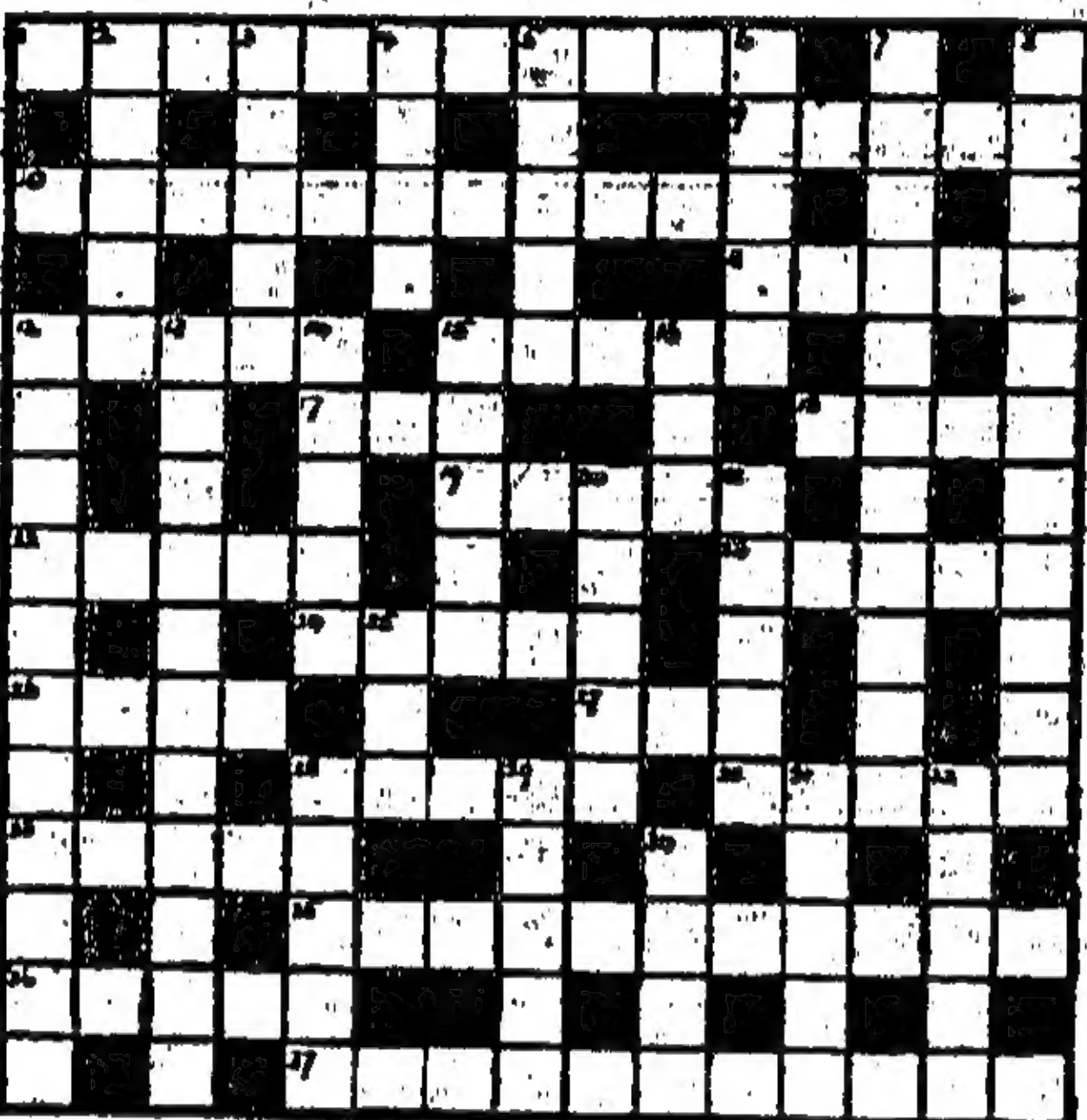
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NO. 571



ACROSS

1. Involuntary result of stirring up sun with teaspoon.
9. Beg this to be the one to make a start.
10. This is the quickness of the hand that deceives the eye.
11. There must always be a row in such a gathering.
12. Gadarene 15 across ran down such a place into the lake.
15. Set 12 across.
17. Does this appear an auspicious club for the motorist?
18. Onlookers are said to see most of this.
19. They can make things hot for you.
22. Ghastly lid enclosing a hit-tite city.
23. Does this country require gentle handling?
24. 27 across or a mistake.
26. He keeps order inside the house.
27. See 24 across.
28. May be useful aid after an accident.
30. Shakespearean clown.
33. Such a day commemorates a child's 28 across appearance in the world.
35. Has a Minister to look after its interests.
36. This man can produce a morality play.
37. Victorian novel (Two words: 5, 6).

DOWN

2. A broken plate.
3. A relative.
4. Suffolk river.
5. Coop up.
6. From the time that sin got ahead of a Civil Engineer.
7. These cannot be matters of long standing.
8. Where many a contract is made (2 words: 6, 5).
12. A red on the war-path (2 words: 5, 6).
13. The ends of all things.
14. Coupled with prejudice by Jane Austen.
15. Clean, but peevish about a number.
16. The insertion of nothing more is required to convert her into a noun.
20. Bird which can be trained to greet.
21. Suitable to wear inside a car.
25. French king.
26. Skins.
29. Hindu deity.
31. Possible direction to those without.
32. Reset, it appears comical.
34. Pacific island.

SOLUTION TOMORROW

Solution No. 570

MARCH RAIN
HEAVIEST IN
35 YEARS

The Royal Observatory states that March this year was the wettest month for 35 years.

Up to 10 p.m. on Saturday, a total rainfall of 11.1 inches had fallen since March 1, making a total of 14.13 inches since the beginning of the year.

The heaviest rainfall occurred between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday when 0.87 inches fell.

The sudden break yesterday, when the day dawned fine and bright, prevented a new record from being set up. The highest figure was registered in March 1905, when, for 31 days, the total rainfall was 14.485 inches.

ROBINSON CRUSOE
A BIRD IN THE HAND
IS WORTH TWO IN THE
FOREST
GRIMES OVERSEEN
STIGGINS TENDON
REID TIT TIT TIT
SOAMES BROWNING
TO THE TIT TIT TIT
EPHESIAN STOCK
SUNSHINE TIT TIT
WHILOM APPLEBY
TIT TIT TIT TIT TIT
APPRENTICESHIP

Mr. Edward Loyd Jones has appointed to act as Senior Surveyor of Ships during the absence on leave of Mr. Thomas Edward Jackson, with effect from Mar. 10, 1940.

Russell Wins Treasurer's Prize In Shoot-Off

GOVERNOR TO PRESENT TROPHIES THIS AFTERNOON

The fifth day of the Bisley Meeting opened in brilliant weather much to the relief of competitors and officials alike. In fact, so amazing was the change on the Kowloon City Ranges, that it was difficult to believe that only twelve hours before, shooting was an impossibility, and crossing from tent to tent was an adventure fraught with danger.

Yesterday morning everybody was cheerful and happy and so well did the staff and competitors co-operate that the day ended with the lost time of the previous afternoon completely recovered.

Firing commenced promptly at 8.30 a.m., with the Treasurer's Prize at 200 yards. Competition for this prize was very keen and a shoot-off was necessary before Russell, of the Hongkong Police, and Sgt. Rushman, of the Stonecutters Range Staff, who each scored 48, decided that the former should be the winner of this new trophy.

The Brookwood, at 300 yards, was the next competition on the board and, in spite of the difficulties of competitors who had to fire on both ranges in order to catch up with the interrupted programmes, this last competition in the qualifying stages of the Governor's Prize was completed by the time arranged.

FINE SCORE

The second stage aggregate was won by Lt. Le Seelleur, of the R.E., who with his fine score of 141 made in this stage brought his tally up to 233 to lead the field in the final twenty who will shoot today in the Bisley and Pirbright for the honour of riding in the chair carried shoulder high by the remaining nineteen.

High up in the list are our three friends Clacey, Gilpin and Templeton, of the R.N., while the Police and Police Reserve have three competitors each in the twenty.

The affiliated Rifle Clubs Match fired at 11.30 produced a very close fight, no less than three teams trying for first place with the extraordinary good scores of 270. On the count out the Hongkong Police beat the Police Reserve and 1st Middlesex who thus came second and third respectively.

COMPANY MATCH

Over on "B" range the Company Match in the morning and the Machine Gun Match in the afternoon gave everybody a busy time, but as we have now some to expect from our experience of the past few days there were no "snags" and the timing was perfect.

In the afternoon on "A" range the difficult Council Cup and Army and Navy Cup Competitions were fired off and the first at 700 yards again had to be decided by a shoot off between Lt. Otway and Cpl. Brighty, both of whom scored a magnificent 49. The shoot off between these two, savoured of a family affair since both belonged to the R.S. and it must have been difficult for Ot-

way to feel anything but pleasure at the fact that his fellow serviceman eventually took the cup.

DIFFICULT LIGHT

At 800 yards conditions were not too good as the light was difficult due to slight breeze and the wind from the right varied throughout the shoot. In spite of this, very good scores were put up, and the result was in doubt up to almost the last shot for there were three scores of 45 to be beaten when Sub-Inspector C. C. Chau, of the Police Reserve, fired his last shot which to give him the prize had to be a bull. He was equal to the strain and turned in a card of 46 to carry off the cup.

Otway's fine effort at 700 yards reaped its reward at the longer range for the 42 he scored in the Army and Navy Cup gave him the aggregate. Sgt. Nunn came second with 90 and he was closely followed by Lt. Seelleur with 89 and the Royal Engineers walked off the range with their heads almost as high as their three top scores. It remains to be seen whether those same heads will stand so high at the same time today.

GOVERNOR'S PRIZE

Shooting commences this morning at 9 a.m. and the competitions to be fired are the President's Cup, the final of the S.R. Championship, the Senior Members Match and the final stages of the Governor's Prize. It is matter for congratulation by all concerned that the final day's competitions remain as originally fixed in spite of the two wash outs of Friday and Saturday.

There will also be individual revolver and revolver medals competitions before noon. At 4 p.m. today His Excellency will present the prizes.

THE RESULTS

The results of yesterday's shooting were:—

R.E. Officers Cup
1. Mne. Croft, R.N.R.S., 252.
S.R. (a) Championship Aggregate:—1, Sgt. Baker, 1/Mx. 208; 2, Spr. Allo, R.E., 200; 3, L/C. Pemberton, R.E., 194; 4, Sgt. Green, R/S., 193; 5, Mne. Barton, R.M., 192.

The Siberia Competition
Result of shoot-off—S.R. (a) Class "M":—1, Mr. Modhurst, D.R.C.; 2, L.A.C. Golder, R.A.F. "Inter-Imperial and Police Forces" Match
1, Regular Army—Lt. Le Seelleur 48; Lt. Dawson 46; Lt. Otway 45;

TRAINING GALLOPS

The following times were clocked during the morning gallops at the Race Course:—

	Dis- tance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	Last Qr.
Geordie	3/4	1.08	1.43			35
Hillsboro Bay	1/35	1.08.3	1.41.3	2.12.1		30.3
Just in Time	1/44	1.18	1.52			34
Jobe	1/34.1	1.08.2	1.41.3	2.12		30.2
Brutus	3/40.4	1.15	1.47			32
Dawn Star	3/41	1.18	1.55			37
Poconos & Colorado Star	3/30.2	59.3	1.29.3			30
Racelight	1/38	1.11.3	1.45.3	2.17		31.2
Vixen Tor	3/37	1.13.1	1.41.2			28.1
Derby Day	1/28	57.3	1.26.2	1.57		30.3
Hughber	1/42	1.20.2	1.55	2.26		31
Shuttlecock	1/37.2	1.15	1.49.1	2.19		29.4
Pumelo	1/36.2	1.12	1.45	2.14		29
Advancing Time	1/44	1.23.3	1.58.2	2.30		31.2
Bruno	1/34.2	1.08	1.41	2.09		28
Viceroy	1/29	1.00.1	1.31.1	1.59		27.4
Sea Urchin	1/34	1.05	1.33.3	2.01.2		27.4
Wilber	3/42	1.18	1.49.2			31.2
A Roaring Time	3/31.1	1.02	1.31.1			29.1
Boat Bay & Royal Highness	3/34	1.05.3	1.36			30.2
Jane Doe	1/40	1.18.2	1.52.2	2.24.2		32
Cocklerol	1/32	1.03.2	1.34.3	2.02.1		27.3
Satinlight	3/37.4	1.14.1	1.45			30.4
Courting Eye	3/33.2	1.05	1.31.4			28.4
Oonagh	3/37	1.10.2	1.42.3			32.1
Rose Jane	1/34.3	1.10.2	1.44	2.14.3		30.3
Some Hope & Tampa Bay	1/35	1.10.4	1.43.3	2.15.1		31.3
Income Tax & Fair Chance	1/36	1.08.2	1.36	2.03		27
Amber II	3/25.1	1.05.4	1.33.4			28
Celtic Star	3/38.3	1.12	1.43.2			31.2
Distinctive Time & For All						
Time	1/36.2	1.10	1.41.2	2.11		29.3
Brown Derby	3/38	1.13.3	1.43.3			30
Commencement Bay & Tim	1/40	1.18.2	1.51.3	2.23.2		31.4
Far View	1/34.3	1.07	1.36.3	2.04		27.2
Winnie	1/40.2	1.14.3	1.46.1	2.16		29.4
Bogey	1/45	1.29.3	2.05.3	2.43		37.2
Scenic View	3/35.3	1.09.4	1.41.2			31.3
Dekko	1/35	1.10	1.44.3	2.19.2		34.4
Johnber	3/40	1.12.4	1.43.1			30.2
Galveston Bay	3/36.1	1.09.3	1.40.2			30.4
Amicus Curiae	1/34.4	1.07	1.38.2	2.05		28.3
Kitty & Princes Bridge	1/37	1.09.3	1.40	2.09.3		29.3
Willingly	1/48	1.27.3	2.04.3	2.36.4		32.1
Plain View	3/34	1.07.4	1.42.3			34.4
Smashing Through & Silver						
Wings	1/39	1.14	1.45.2	2.17		31.3
Rose Emily	1/41	1.19	1.55	2.25		30
Guinness Time, Smiling Time,						
Attacking Time & This Time	1/33.2	1.07.2	1.39.3	2.11		31.2
Lancashire Chap	3/39.1	1.15	1.49			34

Lt. Cooper 43; C/S. Hale 48; Cpl. Brighty 43. Total: 273.

The Inter-University Match

1, Birmingham University—Lt. Dawson 48; 2/Lt. J. Badger 39. Total: 85.

2, Oxford University—Lt. Holmes 43; 2/Lt. C. R. Jones 35. Total: 78.

The Company Match

1, H.M.S. Tamar 378; 2, "B" Coy. 1st Kumaon Rifles 294.

The "Affiliated Rifle Clubs" Match

1, Hongkong Police—Insp. Hopkins 48; Sgt. Russell 47; Sgt. Perkins 46; Sgt. Puran Singh 44; Sgt. Chandar Singh 45; Sgt. Roberts 42. Total: 270.

Team Revolver Match:—1, H.K.P. 97; 2, H.K.P.R. 55.

The Machine Gun Match:—1, 1st Kumaon Rifles "A" 130; 2, 1st Kumaon Rifles "B" 117.

The Treasurer's Prize

1, Sgt. Russell, H.K.P. 48 and 2, Sgt. Rushman, N.R.S. 48 (after shoot-off); 3, Sgt. Breese, N.R.S. 47.

4, C/Sgt. Hale, 1/Mx. 47; 5, E.A. Gilpin, R.N. 47; 6, Cpl. Brighty, R.E. 47 and Cpl. Cole, N.R.S. 47.

The Long Range Aggregate

1, Lt. Otway, R.E. 91; 2, L/Sgt. Nunn, R.E. 90; 3, Lt. Le Seelleur, R.E. 89; 4, S/Insp. C. C. Chau, H.K.P.R. 88; 5, E.A. Gilpin, 4/Sub. Ft. 88.

Consolation Sweepstakes: Capt. Sequeira, H.K.V.D.C. 88; Mr. Guard, D.R.C. 87; Sub-Lt. Carey, H.K. N.V.F. 87.

The Stakedown Competition

Result of Shoot-off—S.R. (a) Class "M": 1, Pte. Sim, 2/R.S.; 2, P.C. Buchanan Singh, H.K.P.; 3, Sgt. Whippley, 2/R.S.

Result of Shoot-off—S.R. (b) Class "M": 1, Pte. Scott (40), 2/R.S.; 2, Sgt. Brenner, 2/R.S.

Consolation Prizes:—1, L.A.C. Hunt, R.A.F.; 2, C.S.M. Challis, 1/Mx.; 3, Maj. White, 2/R.S.

Result of Shoot-off—S.R. (a) Class "X": 1, Cpl. Hammond, H.K. V.D.C.; 2, Cpl. Hawkins, R.E.; 3, L/Sgt. Baker, 1/Mx.

Result of Shoot-off—S.R. (b) Class "X": 1, C/Sgt. Hale, 1/Mx.; 2, C.E.A. Templeton, 4/Sub. Ft.

The Brookwood Competition

S.R. (a) Class "M": 1, Pte. Sim, 2/R.S. 41; 2, Pte. Stewart, 2/R.S. 40; 3, P.C. Bachan Singh, H.K.P. 40.

Consolation Prize:—1, Mr. Medhurst, D.R.C. 40; 2, Mne. Barton, R.M. 38; 3, L/C. Sharrock, 2/R.S. 35.

S.R. (b) Class "M":—1, P.S.M. Clements, 2/R.S. 43 and 2, Mr. Gillman, D.R.C. 43 (to be shoot-off).

Consolation:—1, Sgt. Brenner, 2/R.S. 42; 2, Mne. Croft, N.R.S. 42; 3, L.A.C. Hunt, R.A.F. 41.

S.R. (a) Class "X":—1, Spr. Allo, R.E. 44 and 2, L/Cpl. Wood, 2/R.S. 44 (to be shoot-off); 3, Cpl. Hammond, H.K.V.D.C. 42.

Consolation: 1, Mr. White, D.R.C. 40; 2, Mr. Tynemouth, D.R.C. 39; 3, L/Cpl. Pemberton, R.E. 39.

S.R. (b) Class "X": 1, Lieut. Le Seelleur, R.E. 49; 2, F/Sgt. Tollison, R.A.F. 47; 3, C.E.A. Clacey, R.N. 47; 4, Mr. Trenouth, D.R.C. 47.

Consolation: 1, E.A. Gilpin, R.N. 46; 2, Lt. Otway, R.E. 46; 3, Sgt. Breese, R.N.R.S. 46; 4, P/Sgt. Hoo,

H.K.P.R. 45; 5, Sub-Ins. Chau, H.K.P. 44.

The Public School "Veterans" Challenge Trophy

(A) 1st, Malborough—Sub/Lt. G. J. P. Carey 47; Sub/Lt. F. R. L. Carey 45. Total: 92.

(B) 1st, Cheltenham—Capt. Brown 42; Major White 42. Total: 84.

Clay Bird Section H.K.R.A. Daily Competitions (30.3.40) Prize List:—

Single Rise open: Winner, Lieut. Bateman; Runner-up, Capt. Newton.

Handicap: Winner, Capt. Newton; Runner-up, Maj. White.

Note.—Owing to the weather, no double competitions were held.

Council Cup

1, Cpl. Brighty, R.E. 49 and 2, Lt. Otway, R.E. 49 (after a shoot-off); 3, Sub-Lt. Carey, H.K.V.F. 48; 4, Sgt. Thong, H.K.P.R. 47; 5, Lieut. Holmes, H.K.V.D.C. 47.

Consolation:—1, Sgt. Heap, R.M. 46; 2, Mr. Peckham, D.R.C. 46; 3, R.S.M. Maslem, R.E. 45; 4, S/Insp. A. C. Chau, H.K.P. 45; 5, L/Sgt. Puran Singh, H.K.P. 45; 6, Captain Sequeira, H.K.V.D.C. 45; 7, L/Sgt. Nunn, R.E. 45; 8, A.S.P. D. Lole, H.K.P.R. 44; 9, Lt. Le Seelleur, R.E. 44.

2nd Stage Aggregate

1, Lt. Le Seelleur, R.E. 141; 2, C.E.A. Clacey, 4/Sub. Ft. 138; 3, P/S. K. C. Hoo, H.K.P.R. 137; 4, C.E.A. Templeton, R.N. 136; 5, C/Sgt. Hale, 1/Mx. 136; 6, E.A. Gilpin, 4/Sub. Ft. 135; 7, Sgt. Russell, H.K.P. 135; 8, Sgt. Heap, R.M. 134; 9, Lieut. Otway, R.E. 134.

Consolation:—Sgt. Breese, R.M. 133; L/Sgt. Puran Singh, H.K.P. 132; Lieut. Cooper, 1/Mx. 132; Sub. Insp. C. C. Chau, H.K.P.R. 132.

Army and Navy Cup

1, Sub. Insp. C. C. Chau, H.K.P.R. 46; 2, Mr. Guard, D.R.C. 45; 3, Lt. Le Seelleur, R.E. 45; 4, L/Sgt. Nunn, R.E. 45; 5, E.A. Gilpin, R.N. 44.

Consolation Prizes:—Sgt. Perkins, H.K.P. 43; Capt. Sequeira, H.K.V.D.C. 43; F/Sgt. Tollison, R.A.F. 43; Major White, 2/R.S. 43; Lt. Dawson, 1/Mx. 42; Sgt. Heap, R.M. 42; Lt. Otway, R.E. 42; C/Sgt. Hale, 1/Mx. 42; Mr. Peckham, D.R.C. 42.

Revolver Peel—March 31, 1940

Sgt. Hoo, 52; Mr. Tansley, 51.50; Mr. Mills, 50 cts.

H.K.R.A.

The following qualify to fire the "Bisley" and "Pirbright" Competition for His Excellency the Governor's Prize:—Lt. Le Seelleur, R.E. 233; C.E.A. Clacey, R.N. 231; E.A. Gilpin, R.N. 230; Sgt. Russell, H.K.P. 229; F/Sgt. Tollison, R.A.F. 229; P/Sgt. K. C. Hoo, H.K.P.R. 228; Sgt. Breese, R.M. 227; C.E.A. Templeton, R.N. 227; Lt. Otway, R.E. 225; C/Sgt. Hale, 1/Mx. 225; Sgt. Heap, R.M. 225; Sgt. Puran Singh, H.K.P. 224; Lt. Cooper, 1/Mx. 223; Sub. Lt. Carey, H.K.N.V.F. 223; Cpl. Brighty, R.E. 222; P/Sgt. K. C. Wong, H.K.P.R. 222; Mr. Evans, R.A.F. 221; Insp. Hopkins, H.K.P. 221; A.S.P. Lole, H.K.P.R. 221; Lt. Holmes, H.K.V.D.C. 220.

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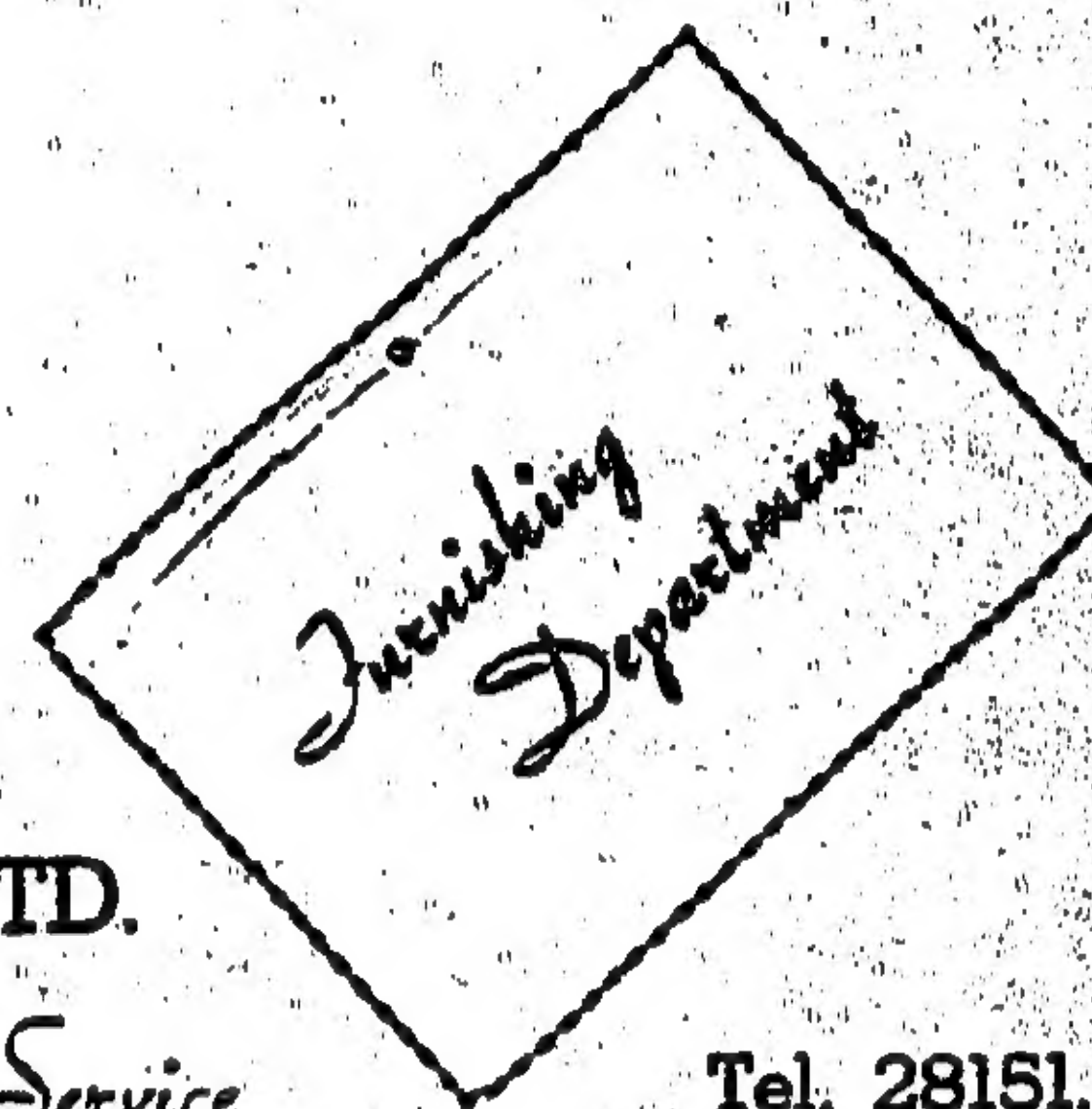
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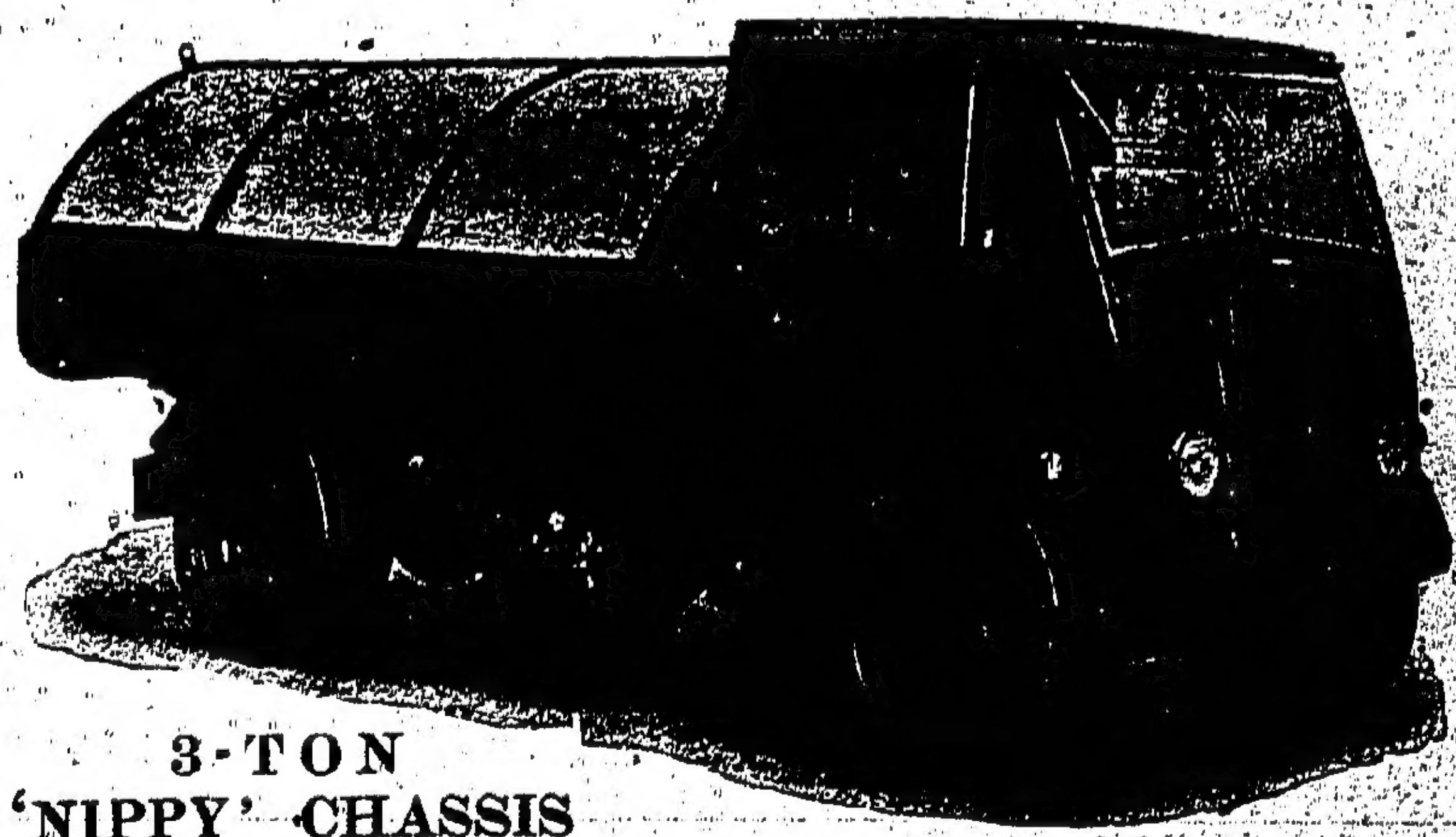
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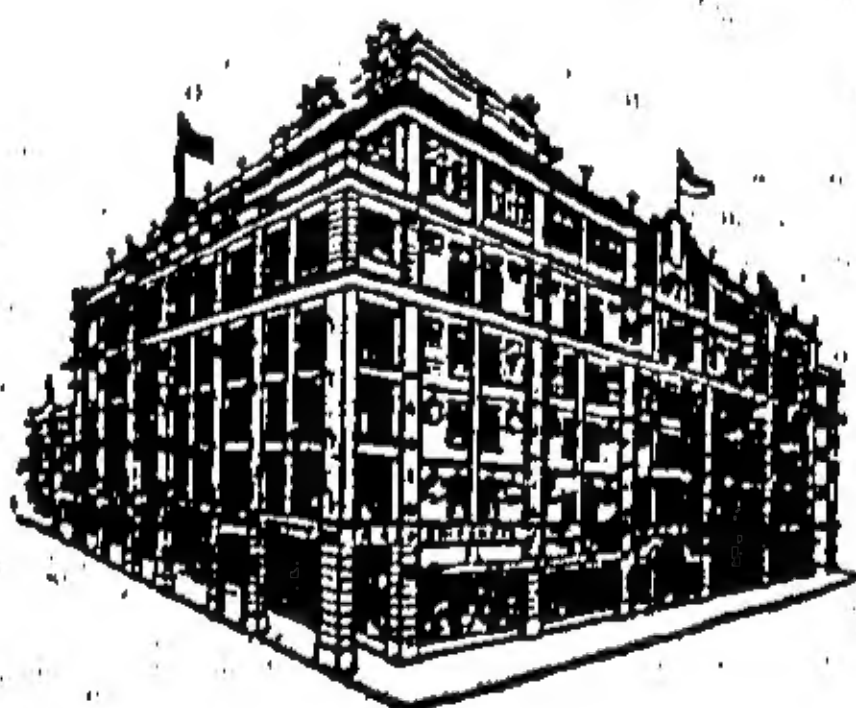
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THE FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on TUESDAY, 2nd April, 1940, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1940, to TUESDAY, the 2nd APRIL, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager.
Hong Kong, 11th March, 1940.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of Hong Kong Realty and Trust Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Exchange Building (2nd Floor), Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 2nd April, 1940, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December, 1939, and re-electing two Directors and the Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Thursday, the 21st March, 1940, to Tuesday, the 2nd April, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
F. C. BARRY,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 6th March, 1940.

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THE HONG KONG FIRE
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Notice to Shareholders

The Seventy-first Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 4th April, 1940, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1939.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st March, to the 4th April, 1940, both days inclusive.

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General Managers,

The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, 14th March, 1940.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Thirty-fifth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Building, on Monday, the 22nd April, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 6th April to 22nd April, 1940, both days inclusive.

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HONGKONG, APRIL 1, 1940

AMERICA IN THE EAST

RECENT PRONOUNCEMENTS from Washington have made it clear that a positive programme for the defence, if not of China's sovereignty, at least of American and other Western rights at present threatened by Japan, is now taking shape there with more speed and definite direction than has ever been the case before.

THERE HAS BEEN MUCH TALK of late of the probability of a Japanese attack on the Netherlands East Indies should Holland herself be invaded by the Germans. Behind this talk lies the whole problem of territorial profiteering by Japan at the expense of the European belligerents whenever the circumstances appear encouraging. In an editorial dealing with recent developments in the relations between Tokyo and The Hague, the Christian Science Monitor, whose treatment of American foreign policy is, particularly well-informed, presents an illuminating discussion of the position in this regard which, in view of its interest at this time, we reproduce below.

AMERICA WILL take a keen notice of Japan's denunciation of its arbitration treaty with the Netherlands as will the Dutch. This is another move in the game of treaty abrogation which began when the United States denounced its trade treaty of 1911 with Japan.

DENUNCIATION of the Netherlands pact takes place in time to influence American opinion on the question of embargoes against Japan. It can be read as a warning that if Japanese supplies from the United States are cut off, Japan may seek supplies in the Netherlands Indies, with the sword if need be. Officially addressed to the Netherlands, it is also intended for American ears. Its message is that United States opposition to Japan in China may prove costly to the United States' friends in the Far East, especially the weaker ones. In this case the United States might find Japanese power a threat to American trade routes and in an area containing raw materials vital to American power.

AMERICAN DIPLOMACY all along has been cognizant of such possibilities. This fact partly explains the caution with which American Far Eastern policy is developing.

HOWEVER, Japan in the Netherlands East Indies would be operating at long range, under many consequent military and naval disadvantages. And these islands are not underfunded. Even should Germany overrun the Netherlands in a Spring drive—and this possibility may in part account for Japan's new move—the East Indies would

"The Church And Divorce"

FR. JOY'S SERMON
AT ST. JOSEPH'S
CHURCH

"What God has joined together, let no man put asunder." This was the theme of the sermon preached by the Rev. Fr. P. Joy at St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, yesterday when he addressed his congregation on "The Church and Divorce."

Wherever divorce is allowed, said Rev. Fr. Joy, there is always a widening of the gap, and more and more reasons are given until marriage becomes a purely private contract, capable of being terminated by mutual consent.

Quoting America as a place where divorce was so common, Rev. Fr. Joy said that if divorce was a remedy for unhappy marriages, then there should be less unhappy marriages in America where divorce is generally so easily allowed. Unfortunately, however, this was not the case.

MUTUAL SACRIFICES

In the event of domestic trouble there should be mutual sacrifice in an effort to keep the home together. It is the duty of every Christian to bear the cross of Christ, and to take trouble with patience.

Christianity was born in an era when both Jewish and Roman laws allowed divorce, and since then, for five centuries, no dispute has arisen as to the Christian teaching on the subject which is now one of the most controversial in the modern world.

IDEA OF MARRIAGE

The Catholic Church recognises separation where material infidelity has taken place but neither party can be free to marry again. Where Christian marriages are contracted in the true Christian sentiment, unbreakability will not enter.

Given ordinary reasonable circumstances husband and wife will hasten to try and end their quarrels by mutual self-sacrifice and patience.

The idea of marriage is to have children and where divorce is easily available the wife will naturally be reluctant to bear children, owing to the lack of security of her marriage life.

ROSARY CHURCH WEDDING

Mr. G. A. Guterres &
Miss B. M. Ozorio

The wedding took place at the Rosary Church yesterday between Mr. George Arthur Guterres and Miss Beatrice Marie ("Betty") Ozorio. The Rev. Father Angellis officiated.

The bride, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Ozorio, was charmingly gown in ivory white and carried a bouquet of arum lilies and ferns. She was attended by a maid of honour, two bridesmaids, a page boy and flower girl.

The maid of honour, Miss Elvira Guterres, was in mauve, the bridesmaids, Miss Carmen Ozorio and Miss Celeste Guterres, in lemon yellow, as was the little flower girl, Miss Evelyn Alonso. Master Mickey Noronha, who undertook the duties of page boy, was in Little Lord Fauntleroy costume.

The groomsmen were Dr. A. P. Guterres, the bridegroom's brother, and Mr. R. D. Noronha. Mr. G. A. Guterres, who plays cricket for Club de Recreio's junior team, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Guterres.

Following the wedding, a reception was held at the Club de Recreio. The honeymoon will be spent at Repulse Bay.

The Ministry of Education has announced that an exhibition of models of aeroplanes and anti-aircraft guns manufactured by junior middle and primary school students will be held in Chungking on August 15. The object of the exhibition is to arouse the students' interest in aeronautical engineering.

not be left wide open to attack. They possess an independent defence organisation which need not draw on the Netherlands for supplies. American national interests are so obviously present in the picture that Japan must reckon also with the possibility of American intervention. Denunciation of the arbitration pact does stand, however, as a serious development in an increasingly serious situation.



Photo taken at the demonstration of 'black-out' methods for motorists at the A.R.P. Headquarters, Lower Albert Road. Notes on the blackboard indicate the nature of the air raid siren. The lecturer was Dr. Tsai Tai-kwong. (Photo by Phang Y. Tong).

THREE NEW WARSHIPS FOR D.E.I.

NAVAL BUILDING PROGRAMME

THE HAGUE, Mar. 31 (Reuter).—A Bill providing for the building of three new battle cruisers for defence of the Dutch East Indies has been submitted to the People's Council in Batavia prior to its introduction in the Dutch Parliament.

HUGE EXPENDITURE

The Bill further provides for the building of 12 submarine chasers, two mine-layers, 12 large flying-boats and a tanker besides the construction of a dry dock and improvement to the naval base at Sourabaya.

A total expenditure of 238,000,000 guilders is involved.

The new battle cruisers are to be completed in four years and they will be armed with nine 11-inch guns.

OFFICIAL EXPLANATION

The official explanation on the building programme states that it does not aim at giving Holland

decisive naval power in the Archipelago but at strengthening the defence of the Dutch East Indies so that if an attempt was made to violate Dutch sovereignty in the area, the aggressor would be faced with a more difficult task than hitherto.

It is added that augmentation of The Netherlands' capital ships was necessary in order to safeguard the sea lanes in the Archipelago.

EUROPE & EAST ASIA SITUATION

BATAVIA, Mar. 30 (Reuter).—The Netherlands East Indies Government today announced a naval construction programme totalling 238,000,000.

The programme provides for the construction of three cruisers of 27,000 tons each, a 40,000-ton dry-dock and 12 large flying-boats.

Appropriation is also made for a large number of mines and depth charges.

An announcement says the increased naval programme has been rendered necessary by the general political situation in Europe and East Asia.

JAPANESE WITHDRAWAL IN SUIYUAN FOLLOWS STRONG PRESSURE BY CHINESE

SOMEWHERE IN WEST SUIYUAN, Mar. 30 (Central).—Chinese forces have reached the vicinity of Patsuping, south-east of Wuyuan, in following up the Japanese withdrawal.

In an attack, they forced an enemy unit to withdraw further east to Shelpatung.

Chinese civilians in West Suiyuan have extended whole-hearted co-operation to the Chinese soldiers engaged in the recent battle of Wuyuan.

Many of them organised stretcher-bearer units to transport wounded soldiers to the rear, while others distributed food. A touching sight was presented by four women with bound feet bearing a wounded soldier. Monks offered food to the wounded soldiers and helped to bandage their wounds.

TOWN RETAKEN

KWEILIN, Mar. 30 (Central).—Lukwo, east of the Nanning-Yamchow highway, was recaptured on March 26 by the Chinese. The Japanese retired to Pingkut, south-west of Lukwo.

Kochow, north of Lukwo, was also recovered. The Japanese there retreated to Sheungting, south-west of Kochow.

Large numbers of farm houses were razed with fire by the Japanese on their way of retreat. Farm cows were commandeered.

TRAIN MISHAPS

HINGTSI, SHENSI, Mar. 30 (Central).—Heavy losses were sustained by the Japanese when a troop train struck a Chinese mine at Kaohotsun, north of Linfen, on the Tatung-Puchow Railway, in South Shansi, on March 22. Practically all 42 coaches were wrecked.

Another Japanese troop train was derailed when it struck a mine near Yuntai, terminus of the line in South-west Shansi. Some 200 Japanese were killed.

AERODROME ENTERED

FANCHENG, Mar. 30 (Central).—More than 800 tons of petrol stored at the Japanese aerodrome in Ankang, capital of Anhwei, were set on fire by Chinese guerrillas, who broke into the airfield on March 20.

On the same day, a Japanese warship steaming down the Yangtze was sunk by Chinese shore batteries near Ch'enkiang.

IS SCOUTING LOSING ITS INFLUENCE?

DISCUSSION AT Y.M.C.A.

"Is Scouting losing its influence?"

This was the subject before the European Y. M. C. A. Discussion Group last night, the speaker being Mr. A. T. Rees.

There are about 3,000,000 Boy Scouts throughout the world, Mr. Rees said, a half-million of them in the United Kingdom, a million in the United States of America, and the others scattered through 50 nations that have adopted the Movement.

There has been a marked tendency in recent years for "worldly wise" boys between 16 and 18 years of age to leave the Movement. A few rejoice, but not a sufficient number, and of every 12 boys who start in the Movement, only two carry on to be Rover Scouts.

The Rover Scouts, Mr. Rees believes, are the future of Scouting. The Rover Scout Movement, started in 1918, is for scouts "from 18 to 30 years of age." There are not very many Rover Scouts, but at the last Rover Moot there were 4,000 Rover Scouts attending.

GUNS THUNDER ON WESTERN FRONT

PARIS, Mar. 31 (Reuter).—Guns thundered all day yesterday to the west of the Vosges in what, for the first time since the war began, officials described as violent artillery activity.

Military circles do not consider that this presages any big attack, even of a local nature.

Several Germans were killed on the western front on Friday, when reconnaissance parties which set out in the Saar regions ran into trouble.

Yesterday's French communiqué said there had been a successful ambush and enemy reconnaissance units were repelled by fire. There was also heavy artillery fire west of the Vosges and west of the Saar.

St. Dunstan's Home

DONATION FROM H.K. APPRECIATED

Captain Sir Ian Fraser, C.B.E., acknowledges with deep gratitude the magnificent gift of £1,000 from the people of Hongkong to St. Dunstan's War Fund. This most generous contribution, which is very greatly appreciated, has been paid through the British War Organization Fund, of which Lady Northcote is President.

On March 8, the Minister of Pensions, Sir Walter Womersley, M.P., opened the new Operating Theatre Wing which has been built to convert St. Dunstan's Convalescent Home into the Central Hospital for Serious Eye Cases. The personnel from all the armed forces and the defence forces, and their auxiliaries, as well as from the merchant service and fishing fleets, will be treated there.

WORLD'S BEST CENTRE

The Minister of Pensions said that the Nation had placed a great responsibility upon St. Dunstan's because it was the best organization for the blind in the world.

Sir Ian Fraser emphasised that apart from the men and women of the home country, they had arranged with the Indian Government to make appropriate provision for any Indians who might be blinded as a result of their services, and discussions were proceeding with the Dominions, with a similar object. A message from the High Commissioner for Canada, thanking St. Dunstan's for its offer to look after blinded Canadians and accepting the arrangement, was read, together with a letter from the High Commissioner for South Africa in similar terms.

The Minister inspected the whole Hospital and stopped to talk with two young men from the British Expeditionary Force in France who were practically blind and being treated in the wards.

RELIEF IN CHINA

The Treasurers of The British Fund for Relief of Distress in China, Hongkong and South China Branch, acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of the following donations:

Previously acknowledged \$528,579.93: The St. John's Hall Music Club \$362.23; Mr. Lee Heng Kock \$100; The Hongkong Embossing Co. \$20; The Steward Department (Chinese Crew) s.s. "Nankin" \$25; Sale of 4 copies of "Chrysanthemum Studies in Water Colour by Mr. On Shan Tchow (Sold by S.C.M.P.) \$32. Total \$529,119.16.

REFUGEE WELFARE

The following is a list of donations received by the Hongkong Refugee and Social Welfare Council during the month of March 2: Hon. J. H. Dodwell \$100; Messrs. Kayamally \$10; Mr. Ma Chung Kin \$150; Steam Laundry \$10; Miss N. W. B. Bascombe \$5; H.K. Associated South China War Refugee Relief Committee \$200; Contribution from Foreign Auxiliary to the National Red Cross Society of China \$4250; Mr. H. C. Macnamara \$5; Anonymous \$10; H.K. Red Swastika Society \$300; St. Stephen's College \$30; Mr. Lo Kwong To \$10; Mr. Chas. Gee \$25; Miss S. F. Sutton \$20; Two Sympathisers c/o S.C.M.P. Post \$10; In Memory of the late John Berkin \$7; Mr. G. S. T. Haywood \$30; Mr. Chan Tin Yin \$50; Mr. Chan Tin Ting \$50; Miss E. S. Atkins, St. Stephen's Girls' College \$30; Mr. Robert Geer \$2.

No Pressure On France

LONDON, Mar. 30 (Reuter).—A report that Britain has "put pressure" on France to be friendlier with Moscow, is very strongly denied by "The Times" diplomatic correspondent.

The correspondent says the Allied attitude to the Soviet is naturally fashioned by the entirely unscrupulous Soviet acts of the past few months.

When the Soviet hint (as they have done privately this week) that they would like trade negotiations to be resumed, the British Government have to bear in mind both the recent Soviet record and also other considerations.

Stopping Supplies

Economic relations with any country must be subordinated to the pressing need of stopping supplies from reaching Germany.

"The Times" adds that after the experience of last year and the bitter attacks on the Allies by Soviet speakers it is hard to see what guarantees the Allies could have that goods sent to Russia would not be passed on, partly at any rate, to Germany.

Tighten The Blockade

FINAL DECISION OF WAR COUNCIL

PARIS, Mar. 30 (Reuter).—Final decisions were taken at the Supreme War Council to tighten the Allied blockade of Germany, according to a London despatch to the "Intransigent."

The despatch says hitherto only the naval aspect of the problem has been solved and now the question has been discussed from the land standpoint and all commercial routes leading to, and from Germany are to be closed.

"War Has Started"

"Britain and France cannot be expected to remain unconcerned by Germany's abuse of other countries' neutrality."

"The methods the Allies will employ may entail inconvenience for some countries and risks for others."

ANGLO-FRENCH TALKS

LONDON, Mar. 30 (Reuter).—The meeting of the Allied Supreme War Council was followed by consultations between political leaders both in Britain and France.

In Paris, the Premier, M. Reynaud, called on President Lebrun and reported on the meeting. M. Reynaud also saw other members of the Government.

A full Council of Ministers will be held in Paris on Monday.

In London, the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, had a long conference at the Foreign Office with the leader of the Labour Opposition, Mr. C. R. Attlee.

GENERAL KOELTZ PRESENT

LONDON, Mar. 30 (Reuter).—Special significance is attached here to the presence at the Supreme War Council meeting of General Koeltz, Inspector-General of the French colonial forces.

General Koeltz is a specialist in Mediterranean and Near Eastern questions.

UNBREAKABLE UNITY

WASHINGTON, Mar. 30 (Havas).—"Hitler's last hope of breaking the Allied unity and obtaining peace on his own terms has now disappeared," says the Evening Star, commenting on the declaration of the Supreme War Council in London.

"The agreement reached in London constitutes not only a guarantee for the peoples of Britain and France that the Allies will not make a selfish peace but is also a lesson to the pacifist element."

"As for the neutrals, they have less reason to fear British and French supremacy in Europe than a Nazi hegemony on the Continent."

"Only aggressors and those states which, like Russia, deliberately associate with aggressors, have reason to fear the new developments that the London agreement foreshadows."

SNATCHED BAG WITH THEATRE TICKETS

Two unemployed youth appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court on Saturday charged with snatching a handbag from Mrs. Yu Fung in Old Bailey on Friday.

The defendants were Leung Cheung, 18, and Leung Yiu, 17. They were alleged to have snatched the bag from Mrs. Yu while she was on her way to the World Theatre.

The contents of the bag included two dress circle tickets, the loss of which Mrs. Yu later reported to the booking office of the theatre.

Less than thirty minutes later, the two defendants were alleged to have arrived at the theatre and attempted to use stolen tickets, when they were arrested.

Defendants were remanded for further inquiries.

Ernest William Westwood has been enrolled in the Combatant Group of the Hongkong Defence Reserve. Ronald Anthony Carroll has been permitted to quit while Robert Archibald Boyd has been re-assigned from the General Group, for Essential Services to the Combatant Group.

Mr. Paul Moritz, American student representative, arrived here from Kwei-yang on Thursday. Mr. Moritz who arrived in China last December has been touring various parts of China.

MOLOTOV EMPHASISES SOVIET DETERMINATION TO REMAIN NEUTRAL IN EUROPEAN WAR

Significant Statement Concerning Rumania

TRADE PACT HINTS OF RUSSIANS IN LONDON

MOSCOW, MAR. 30. (REUTER).—THE DETERMINATION OF SOVIET RUSSIA TO REMAIN NEUTRAL IN THE CONFLICT BETWEEN GERMANY AND THE ALLIES WAS THE KEYNOTE OF M. MOLOTOV'S SPEECH TO THE SOVIET SUPREME COUNCIL.

He pictured Russia as surrounded by capitalistic Powers trying to drag her into war, bitterly assailed France and Britain, and claimed that Russia moved only to protect herself in Finland, which the Allies wanted to use as a jumping off place for an attack on her.

M. Molotov contested the suggestion that the commercial exchanges between Russia and Germany constituted warlike support, insisting that Rumania's trade with Germany was immensely greater than Russia's, adding that no one accused Rumania of being in alliance with Germany.

The Soviet Government, said M. Molotov, had committed no hostile acts against Britain or France, but the Allies appeared bent upon a policy of revenge.

"As a result of the Soviet-Finnish war the fact remains that Britain and certain other imperialist states have taken part in war against the Soviet Union," M. Molotov declared.

"There are many instances of Franco-British hostility towards the Soviet," Germany frustrated them.

"Britain refused to fill long-standing Soviet orders and eventually her hostile attitude culminated in the seizure of two Soviet ships."

"The British Government endeavoured to justify these acts on the ground that the goods were destined for Germany."

RUSSIA AND RUMANIA
Discussing Rumania, he said that the Bessarabia question remained outstanding, but the Soviet Union would not go to war over Bessarabia.

Russia's relations with Turkey and Iran were governed by treaties of non-aggression which the Soviet Union had every intention to fulfil. Nevertheless, there were suspicious activities in the Near East, in Syria (where the Allied armies are being organised) on which the closest watch must be kept.

Relations with the United States were neither better nor worse, said M. Molotov, concluding by repeating: "We must maintain our position of neutrality and refrain from any participation in the war of the Great Powers."

NO OFFICIAL COMMENT
LONDON, MAR. 31. (REUTER).—In view of the fact that M. Molotov's speech does not indicate any new departure in the Russian foreign policy no reaction is likely in British official quarters. Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns.

LONDON REACTION
LONDON, MAR. 30. (REUTER).—Diplomatic quarters, commenting on Soviet Foreign Commissar Molotov's speech, said it made Russian policy little clearer, though his attack on the Allies was not unexpected, in view of

the close co-ordination between Russian and German propaganda. However, M. Molotov's references to Germany were far from cordial, and it is clear that Russia wants the outside world to regard her as a neutral in the European war.

"M. Molotov went out of his way to say that Russia was giving Germany less help than Rumania, and his speech must have been small comfort for Germany."

German propaganda this morning welcomed the speech but it was only published in carefully purged form in the Nazi press.

M. Molotov's reference to trade was interesting as the Soviet only last week suggested a new trade treaty between Britain and Russia. M. Molotov ignored his statement last September of the importance of Russian-German trade relations.

M. Molotov wants trade with the Allies but complains of the action of our contraband control in stopping supplies passing to Germany via Vladivostok.

REBUFF TO GERMANY?
M. Molotov's speech is splashed on the front pages of this morning's newspapers.

It is regarded as a snub to Hitler and as indicating the desire of Russia to improve relations with countries other than Germany.

"We must postpone judgment," says The Observer, "on the sincerity of M. Molotov's desire for neutrality. Perhaps she does want neutrality as she needs a rest after the Finnish campaign."

"Russia will certainly not be led into war by Germany unless she has ends of her own to gain."

The Daily Herald diplomatic correspondent describes it as a definite rebuff to Germany and interprets it to mean that Russia is resuming an attitude of independence.

The correspondent declares that Soviet circles in London are dropping very broad hints that Moscow would be by no means averse to reopening negotiations for an Anglo-Soviet trade agreement.

WAY TO IMPROVEMENT
He interprets all this to mean that the Soviet is now rapidly coming to the conclusion that the Allies are going to win, and concludes by declaring that a definite cessation of Russian economic assistance to Germany would open the way to a real improvement in Anglo-Franco-Russian relations in every field.

The Daily Telegraph says what chestnuts Hitler will pull out of the fire for Stalin will be accepted as before but reciprocity is not part of the game.

The Daily Mail says M. Molotov ends Hitler's three-power hopes.



Madame Chiang Kai-shek being presented with flowers during her visit to the new home of the Hongkong Branch of the National Association for the Care of War Orphans at Fanling on Friday.

Supreme War Council Looks Into Future: No Conclusion Of Any Separate Peace

LONDON, MARCH 30. (REUTER).—CONCLUSIONS TO BE DRAWN FROM THE SUPREME WAR COUNCIL MEETING AND THE RECALL OF THE BRITISH AMBASSADORS FROM THE BALKANS for a conference next week with the Foreign Secretary are discussed by the Diplomatic Correspondent of the B.B.C.

The importance of the decisions reached by the Supreme War Council, he says, needs no underlining. It was not unexpected that the Allies should stress their intention not to conclude or negotiate for a peace. A similar agreement was reached early in the last war.

Conditions Stressed
But the meeting went further. It indicates the conditions on which the Allies will discuss peace terms: peace will not be discussed before the Allies have reached "complete agreement on the conditions, necessary to ensure to each of them an effective and lasting guarantee of their security."

This is not all. The Supreme War Council looked ahead beyond the conclusion of "peace," pending complete Allied co-operation not only while the war is on, but afterwards, until a new international order can be constructed.

"Co-operation" seems an inadequate word. In the phrase of the official communiqué, it will be "a community of action in all spheres," and the Allies will maintain this until a new international order has been reached ensuring liberty, respect for law and the maintenance of peace.

Allied Unity
The communiqué draws a clear distinction between the actual conclusion of peace, which must depend on both having an effective guarantee of their security, and the construction of Europe after the peace has been reached.

Only in the final post-war period does the communiqué refer to the assistance of other nations in the work of reconstruction. The importance of this clear statement of Allied unity both before peace is attained and in the final settlement is obvious.

No less important were the decisions reached regarding the conduct of the war, but the communiqué could not be quite so specific about this. It says: "The Council passed in review developments in the strategic situation since their last meeting and decided on the future line of action."

Important Problem
The attitude of the neutrals must have been one of the foremost problems discussed.

The Council must have noted that although Germany is continuously out-gauging neutrality, the neutrals raise less of a cry than they do over a technical infringement of their rights by the Allies.

"This tendency on the part of neutrals to accept two different standards of conduct must have been a matter of grave concern to the Allies."

Iron Ore Traffic
It is most acute with regard to Scandinavia. Attention has been focussed on the German traffic in iron ore through Norwegian and Swedish waters.

Germany is now threatening Norway and even asking her and other neutrals to close their ports to Allied ships on the excuse that these ships carry defensive guns.

The tempo of these attacks on Norway has been accelerated since Thursday, when Norway interned U-boat 21, which had run aground on the Norwegian coast.

Italy And Russia
Another subject bound to have occupied the Council's attention was the attitude of the Allies to Italy and Soviet Russia.

Some circles believe Russia to be one of the most serious leakages in the blockade, and no doubt the position was reviewed from every angle.

With regard to Italy, the consideration may have been given to demands voiced in the French Press recently for a serious attempt at an Allied rapprochement with Italy.

The Balkans
Finally, a note on the Balkans, and the announcement that the British envoys to the various Balkan states are to visit London.

This shows that the Allies are fully alive to the constant efforts Germany is making to stir up trouble in central and south-east Europe.

The main aim of German policy there is to disturb relations to such an extent so that the Reich can exert pressure on each country, one by one.

The Allies desire to see the countries of south-east Europe collaborate to their mutual advantage, so that they can escape the Nazi attempts to deal with them one by one.

ENEMY PLANES OVER ORKNEYS
LONDON, MAR. 31. (REUTER).—A German plane approached Shetland Islands this morning when the air raid warning was sounded. However, no bombs were dropped.

British fighter aircraft went up and the enemy was driven off. It is believed that an enemy plane was also seen over the Orkneys but was driven off by anti-aircraft fire.

Shell shrapnel fell into the streets below.

Convoy System A Success
NEW YORK, MAR. 30. (REUTER).—A first-hand account of the successful operation of the British convoy system was given today by a correspondent of the "New York Times," who has spent the past week in the North Sea.

"The British," he said, "are winning on this front. The Germans have not yet found an adequate answer to the convoy system by which the British and French are endeavouring with almost 100 per cent. success to overcome Germany's efforts to blockade them."

RISK REDUCED
"One week spent at sea with neutral ships' officers and men is more convincing of the effectiveness of

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perhaps indeed, there might have been no war—I all the neutral states who share our convictions upon fundamental matters and openly or secretly sympathise with us had stood together and in one line.

"We did not count on this and, therefore, we are not dismayed. We trust in God and in our own arm uplifted in a cause which we devoutly feel carries with it larger hopes and harmonies for mankind."

SMALLER STATES

"But the fact that the smaller states in Europe are terrorised by Nazi violence and brutality into supplying Germany with materials of modern war may condemn the whole world to a prolonged ordeal with grievous consequences in many lands. Therefore I cannot assure you that the war will be short, and still less that it will be easy. It is, I think, our duty to try as far as our strength lies, not only to win the war, but also to curtail, as far as possible, its devouring course."

Referring to the small states who had the misfortune to be Germany's neighbours, Mr. Churchill said they had the greatest sympathy for these forlorn countries and understood their dangers and their points of view, but it would not be right, or in the general interest, that their weakness should feed the aggressor's strength and fill to overflowing the cup of human woe.

"There could be no justice if, in a life and death struggle, the aggressor trampled down every sentiment of humanity and those who resisted him remained entangled in the latters of violated legal conventions."

Mr. Churchill went on to say that hardly a day passed without fresh outrages of a cruel and barbarous character being inflicted upon shipping and the sailors of all European countries. Their ships had been sunk by mines or torpedoes, or by bombs from the air, and their crews had been murdered or left to perish, unless they had been able to rescue them.

Sweden, Norwegians, Danes and even Italians had been victims of Hitler's murderous deeds.

CONVOY SYSTEM
In his frenzy, this wicked man and the criminal regime which he conceived and erected, increasingly turn their malice upon the weak and lonely, and above all the unarmed vessels of countries with which Germany is still supposed to be in friendly relations.

In the Anglo-French convoys, said Mr. Churchill, there is safety. Only one in eight hundred ships which resorted to our protection had been sunk, but outside the shelter of the Allied navies, a merchant, baffled and pent-up spite was wreaked upon all those who came into the Nazi clutches.

Mr. Churchill said that, only yesterday, while sailors from a British submarine were carrying ashore, on stretchers, eight emaciated Dutchmen whom they had rescued from six days' exposure in an open boat, Dutch aviators, in the name of strict impartial orthodoxy, were shooting down a British aircraft which had lost its way.

"I do not reproach the Dutch. Our valiant Allies of former days. My heart goes out to them in their peril and distress, dwelling as they do in a cage with a tiger. But when we are asked to take, as a matter of course, interpretations of neutrality which give all the advantages to the aggressors, and inflict all the disadvantages upon the defenders of freedom, I recall the saying of the late Lord Balfour, 'This is a singularly ill-contrived world, but not so ill-contrived as that.'"

VILLAINOUS DEEDS
Mr. Churchill said that all the outrages in the sea paled before the villainous deeds wrought upon the helpless Czechs and Austrians, and sink into insignificance before the hideous agony of Poland.

The other day, Mr. Churchill added, he inspected the crew of a Polish destroyer. "I have rarely seen a finer body of men," he said. "I was stirred by their discipline and bearing. Yet how tragic was their plight! Their ship was aflame but their country had foundered."

Mr. Churchill continued that as

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Nazi Propaganda Effort: Accuses Britain, U.S. Of Stirring Up War

LONDON, March 30. (Reuter).—The German Government yesterday tried to put over one of the most astounding propaganda efforts of this or any other war. Neutral correspondents were summoned to the Foreign Office and there presented with a collection of documents, purporting to prove that, since 1938, Britain and the United States had been planning an offensive war against Germany.

The documents purported to be the reports to their Government of the Polish Minister in Washington, London and Paris and other Polish diplomats.

It is regarded as significant that the chief American correspondents in Berlin were invited to the Foreign Office before those of other neutral countries.

The motive of this unique form of propaganda is considered to be an attack upon President Roosevelt and an appeal to the opponents of his administration.

NO CREDENCE
Immediately following the disclosure of the "documents" denials were formally issued in Washington and by the Polish Ministers "implicated."

Mr. Cordell Hull declared that not the slightest credence need be

he looked round at all the great warships at anchor and other preparations, he comforted himself with the thought that when those Polish sailors had finished their work with the British Navy we would take particular care to see that they had a home to go to.

AIM OF WAR
"Thoughtless, dilettante or purblind worldlings, although the fate of Poland stares them in the face, sometimes ask us: what is it that Britain and France are fighting for? To this I would answer, if we left off fighting you would soon find out."

"We shall follow this war wherever it leads us; but we have no wish to broaden the area of the conflict. At the outbreak of the war, we did not know that Italy would not be our enemy. Many people had hoped that Russia would re-enter the comity of nations and help shield the working folk all over the world from Nazi aggression. But none of these things, bad or good, has happened."

"We have no quarrel with the Italian or Japanese people. We have tried and shall try to live on good terms with them. It is no part of our policy to seek war with Russia. There is no need for Russia to be drawn into the struggle, unless upon the promptings of an obsolete imperialist ambition she wishes to do so of her own volition."

"Our affairs is with Hitler and Nazi-German power. There is the head and the forefront of the offending, and it is there and there alone that we seek to strike."

"All is quiet on the Western Front and today, so far, nothing has happened on the sea or in the air. But more than a million German soldiers are drawn up, ready to strike, at a few hours notice, all along the frontiers of Luxembourg, Belgium and Holland. At any moment these neutral countries may be subjected to an avalanche of steel and fire, and the decision rests in the hands of the haunted, morbid being who, to their eternal shame, the German peoples in their bewilderment have worshipped as God."

"That is the situation in Europe tonight. And can anyone wonder that we are determined to bring such hideous states of alarm and menace to an end as soon as may be, and once and for all?"

"Few there are tonight, who looking back on the last seven months, would doubt that the British and French peoples were right to draw the sword of justice and retribution. Fewer still, there are, who would wish to sheath it till its sombre, righteous work is done," concluded Mr. Churchill.

COMPLICATIONS EXPECTED
AMSTERDAM, Mar. 30. (Havas).—The Berlin correspondent of the Amsterdam Telegraf says the Nazi White Paper has caused a sensation, although it was obviously inspired by decision of the United States to sell her latest type warplane to the Allies and by the inability of Mr. Welles to report favourably on the prospects of a patched-up peace.

It is likely to signal the renewal of propaganda against the United States, says the correspondent, who adds that diplomatic complications may be expected to follow.

BERLIN PLAY-UP
BERLIN, March 30. (Reuter).—The Nazi White Book is given tremendous play in the German press, where it is described as "proof even better than we could have anticipated of all our accusations."

The Berliner Boersen Zeitung declares: "Poland's role as the plaything of Britain and France becomes clear. The American Ambassadors in France and Britain appear as asking for a blank cheque for Poland."

"FROM A SAFE BREAKER"
NEW YORK, Mar. 30. (Reuter).—Commenting on the German White Book, the New York Times says: "First thing to be noted is that the documents come from a safe-breaker who asks credence for his word concerning what he found."

"The documents consist largely of what somebody told somebody else."

The New York Daily News declares: "Such stuff is war propaganda and it is to be hoped that Americans will not be as excited as the originators of this story hoped."

NAZIS IN HUFF
BERLIN, Mar. 31. (Reuter).—The Official News Agency, commenting on the American denials of the authenticity of the Nazi White Book, says that the United States denies facts which cannot be denied.

ARTILLERY FIRE
PARIS, Mar. 31. (Reuter).—A French communiqué states that artillery fire was heard in the region north-west of Bitche while bursts of machine-gun fire were audible along the Rhine in Upper Alsace.

LONDON, Mar. 31. (Reuter).—A report from Amsterdam states that two Dutch trawlers were attacked by seven Nazi planes this morning off the west coast of Scotland.

Diplomats To Foregather

MEETINGS IN PARIS AND LONDON

LONDON, Mar. 30. (Havas).—The pending convocation of British diplomatic envoys from countries in South-East Europe coincides with the meeting in Paris of diplomats from the same countries, declares "The Times."

The Journal adds that the British Government is closely watching German attempts to obtain economic benefits through threats and flatteries in that part of the world.

It is noted with satisfaction that the Balkan states are stoutly resisting Germany's exorbitant demands.

"The Times" emphasises the "magnanimous" attitude of Turkey in striving to bring countries heretofore jealous of each other closer together.

The Journal concludes that Britain should beat Germany in purchasing goods in South-East Europe.

SENIOR SHIELD FINAL

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luck would have it, South China again missed another glorious opportunity to get even when from a corner kick by Ip Pak-wa, Tang Kwong-sum hit the cross bar with a rasping shot and, on the rebound the situation was relieved by Chang Ying-kuen with a strong clearance.

A THRILL

Another thrilling incident occurred, this time at the South China goal. From a free kick awarded to Eastern for a foul, Lee Tak-kee took a fast and low shot at goal. It struck one of the South China defenders and from the rebound the ball came to Woo Gay-tsang's feet but he shot wide.

The next thrill came when, from a good pass from Tang Kwong-sum, Lee Wai-long took a first-time shot a goal only to see it saved by Lau.

Eastern now took up the attack and, Hsi. King-seng continually plying his forwards with beautiful passes and, from one of these, Hau Ching-to delighted the crowd when he made a dazzling run along the line dribbling past three defenders. The interval soon came with Eastern leading 2-1.

Intense excitement prevailed on the resumption for Eastern now had a good chance of wresting the title from the favourites.

SECOND-HALF

The second-half opened with S. China staging attack after attack but with no result due to the stubborn defence by Eastern. Prominent among whom were Hsu King-seng and Chang Ying-kuen. Hard luck still seemed to dog the Caroline Hill team when, from a beautiful movement from the right, Lai Shiu-wing saw his shot glance off the post and go out of play. After having the play territorially for more than 15 minutes, but without result, the South China goal was subjected to a barrage of on slaughts from Eastern. Hau Ching-to, who was playing a grand game, made another magnificent run to outwit the opposing defence. The cheering was deafening and, with only Tam to

beat, he shot weakly into his hands.

Ching Yung-sum on the right, came to the fore with some tricky play and, from a fine centre by Hau, nearly increased the lead but his shot hit the crossbar. Another glorious Eastern opportunity went astray when Lee Tak-kee took a weak shot which Tam easily saved.

The importance of the match and the excitement apparently proved too much for some of the players who now indulged in rough play which necessitated the referee warning them.

A great roar went up when in the 28th minute of this half, Lee Wai-long scored the equaliser from a pass by Tang Kwong-sum. His goal was undoubtedly the best of the afternoon for, although unfavourably placed, he managed to send in one of his typical first-time shots which invariably succeeded.

Despite this reverse, Eastern fought back hard and kept the S. China defenders busy. In the 31st minute, Hau Ching-to, from a glorious pass by Lee Tak-kee, took the ball from midfield to beat all the South China defenders, and, when with only Tam Kwan-sun in front, cleverly placed the ball in the far corner of the net well out of the latter's reach.

The South China team went to pieces allowing the Eastern to dominate play which continued to be thrilling. Although South China made valiant attempts to draw level the Eastern defence held out and the game ended with Eastern worthy winners.

THE TEAMS

SOUTH CHINA "A": Tam Kwan-kon; Mak Shu-hon, Lee Tin-sang; Soong Ling-sing, Leung Wing-chiu; Fok Yiu Wah; Tang Kwong-sum; Fung King-cheong, Lee Wai-long; Lai Shiu-wing and Ip Pak-wah.

EASTERN: Lau Hin-hon; Chang Ying-kuen, Tsang Chung-wan; Lo Wai-kuen, Hsu King-seng, Lau Tse-tsang; Ching Yung-sum; Cheong Kam-hoi, Lee Tak-kee; Woo Gay-tsang and Hau Ching-to.

JUNIOR SHIELD MATCH

In the Junior Shield final, the 30th R. A. thoroughly deserved their victory over the Royal Engineers by 2-1 after leading by 1-0 at the interval.

The Engineers played without Moxham, their brilliant goalkeeper who was still on the injured list, whilst Shaw, centre-half, has not yet fully recovered from an injury sustained at cricket.

Prominent in the winning team, were Woodfin, in goal, Guy, centre-half, and Flanders in the forward line.

Lam Wai-seng, deputising for Moxham in goal, played as well as could be expected. Shaw was not so effective in the pivotal berth due to his injury whilst Fox, who gave such a grand performance against the Chinese Federation in the Governor's Cup, was too well marked by Guy to be a source of danger. The only time when he was left unmarked he managed to score for his side.

EVEN PLAY

Play was very even in the first half with the sappers having a slight advantage over the R. A. Woodfin, in goal for the latter, played magnificently.

R. A. opened the scoring towards the interval when, from a pass from the right, Flanders cut in to net after the goalkeeper was out of position.

In the second half the gunners completely dominated play and Flanders increased the lead from a centre from the right when he placed the ball into the net with a beautiful header.

Shortly afterwards, Fox managed to score from a pass by Chan Kam-poi.

Despite the Engineers' determined efforts to equalise, the game ended with 30th R. A. having most of the play.

ROYAL ENGINEERS: Lam Wai-seng; Tang Chung-pak, Palmer; Jones, Shaw and Birrell; Taylor, Chan Kam-poi, Fox, Palham and Hey.

30TH R. A.: Woodfin; Fole and Todd; Tuckley, Guy and Roberts; Halpin, Yearling, Brown, Flanders and Cook.

Steel Coulson & H.B. League Results

The following are the latest results of the Steel Coulson and H.B. League:—

SNOOKER

C.C.C. 2, Garrison "B" 1.
Naval Police 3, Talkoo Club 0.
Garrison "B" 2, Prison Officers Club 1.
H.K. Police 3, Garrison "A" 0.
C.S.C.C. 1, Dockyard R. Club 2.

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Garrison "A"	18	12	6	36	18	36
C.S.C.C.	18	13	5	36	18	36
H.K. Police	18	11	6	33	15	33
Naval Police	17	11	6	30	21	30
C.P.O. Rec. Club	15	7	8	25	20	25
H.B. Club	17	7	10	25	26	25
P. O. Club	17	8	9	24	27	24
D.R. Club	17	8	9	21	30	21
Garrison "B"	17	8	11	19	32	19
C.C.C.	17	6	11	16	35	16
Talkoo Club	17	4	13	14	37	14
Highest Break	Mr. Low (HBC) 30.					

BILLIARDS

C.C.C. 3, Garrison "B" 0.
Naval Police 1, Talkoo Club 2.
Garrison "B" 1, Prison Officers Club 2.
H.K. Police 0, Garrison "A" 3.
C.S.C.C. 3, D.R. Club 0.

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
C.S.C.C.	18	18	2	44	10	44
H.B. Club	17	15	2	39	12	39
D.R. Club	17	12	5	33	18	33
C.P.O. Rec. Club	15	9	6	28	17	28
Talkoo Club	17	9	8	25	26	25
P.O. Club	17	8	9	24	27	24
G.C.C.	17	7	10	21	30	21
Garrison "A"	18	5	13	21	33	21
H.K. Police	18	6	10	20	28	20
Naval Police	17	3	14	12	39	12
Garrison "B"	17	3	14	12	39	12
Highest Break	C.P.O. Grant, 65.					

DARTS

Garrison "A" 2, C.P.O. Rec. Club 3.
Dockyard R.C. 1, Naval Police 4.
H.K. Police 1, Garrison "A" 4.

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
C.P.O. Rec. Club	9	9	—	31	14	31
Garrison "S/M"	8	6	2	26	14	26
Naval Police	9	4	5	24	21	24
H.K. Police	8	3	5	18	22	18
P.O. Club	8	1	5	9	21	9
D.R. Club	7	1	6	10	25	10
Highest Game finish	Mr. Davis (CPORC) 83.					
Highest score in 3 successive darts.	Mr. Taylor (HKP) 174.					

Home Football And Rugby Results

LONDON, Mar. 31 (Reuter)—following are the results of Home football (Regional) and rugby match played yesterday.

SOUTH "C"

Brentford 5, Fulham 0
Charlton Athletic 4, Southampton 1
Chelsea 3, West Ham 10
Portsmouth 1, Southampton 1
Tottenham 1, Arsenal 1

SOUTH "D"

Aldershot 4, Norwich City 1
Bournemouth 2, Crystal Palace 3
Clapton Orient 4, Queen's P.R. 3
Southend U. 4, Reading 2
Watford 4, Brighton & Hove 2

FRIENDLIES

Bradford 1, Doncaster 1
Halifax 3, Accrington 1
Newcastle 2, Sunderland 0

SCOTTISH (Western)

Airdrieonians 4, Ayr United 1
Clyde 5, Hamilton 3
Dumbarton 0, Partick 0
Kilmarnock 6, Albion Rovers 2
Motherwell 2, Celtic 0
Rangers 1, Morton 0
Third Lanark 2, St. Mirren 1

RUGBY UNION

Aldershot Command 21, Rosslyn Park 8
Gloucester 18, Bridgend 13
Hinchley 6, Coventry 6
Neath 21, Cardiff 9
Swansea 10, Newport 3
Torquay 30, Paington 3
Weston-Super-Mare 6, Bath 0
Northampton 11, Bedford 8
Harlequins 11, Old Blues 3

RUGGER PLAYER KILLED

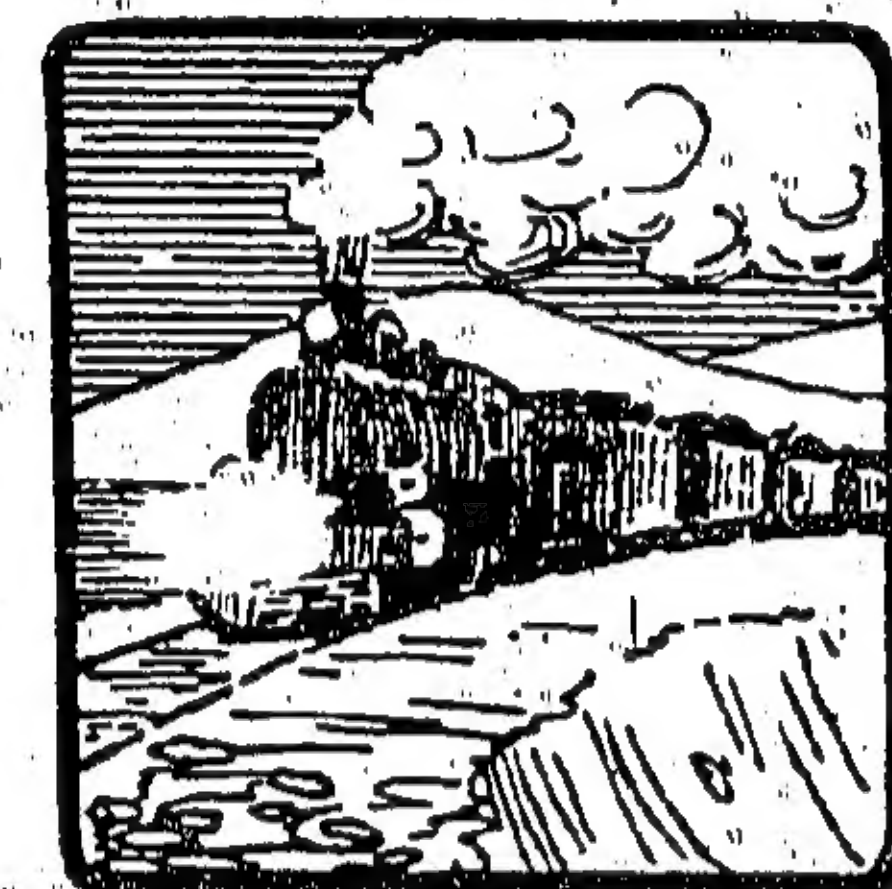
LONDON, Mar. 30 (Reuter)—Prince Obolensky, the English International rugger player, was killed in a flying accident in Britain yesterday.
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On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/3 13/16
Bank Bills on demand 1/3 13/16
Credits 4 months sight 1 3/16

On Shanghai:—
On demand 350

On Singapore:—
On demand 52 1/2

On Japan:—
On demand 91

On India:—
Telegraphic Transfer 82 1/4
and demand

On New York:—
Bank Bills on demand 21 1/2
Credits 60 days sight 22 3/8

On Batavia:—
On demand 40

On Paris:—
Bank Bills on demand 108 1/2
Credits 4 months sight 110

On Saigon:—
On demand 108 1/4

On Manila:—
On demand 43

On Bangkok:—
On demand 50

On Sterling Notes:—
Bank Buying Rate 1/4
Bar Silver per oz 30 7/16

Market Report
FROM ROZA BBOS.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 20 7/16 for Ready and 20 1/2 for Forward. Silver advances reported India as having bought. A small business was done. The market was steady, buyers at the quoted rate. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 352 5/8.

Very quiet.

Starting

There were sellers at 1 2/7 8 March/July, buyers at 1 2/15 16 Cash and 1 2/29 32 April/July.

U. S. Dollars

A small business was done at 21 7/8 for Cash and 21 13/16 April. The market closed with sellers at 21 13/16 Cash, 21 3/4 April and 21 11/16 May buyers probably at 21 7/8 for Cash, 21 13/16 April and 21 3/4 first half June.

Shanghai Dollars

Business was done during the course of the morning at 359. The closing rate was 358 1/2.

Shanghai Market

Sterling. There were sellers at 4 9/64 for Spot. U.S. Dollars, 4 1/16 sellers April. Quiet.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Mar. 30 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates

Opening

London 0/4

New York 5-7/8

Japan 34-7/8

India 22-1/8

Paris 2 2/4

Hongkong 28-3/4

Sellers

Spot 0/4-9/64 0/4-9/64

Apr. 0/4-3/84 0/4-3/84

May 0/4-31/32

U.S. Dollars

Spot 58-1/16 58-1/16

Apr. 5-29/32 5-29/32

May 5-3/4

Market:—Quiet.

Merchant Rates

Sterling, 0/4-1/8.

U.S. Dollars, 58-1/16.

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2.

The Equalisation rate was 7-1/4 per cent.

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Mar. 30 (Reuter).

Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 94-10-0.

New York Exchange

New York, Mar. 30 (Reuter).

T.T. on London (Opening Rate), 3.53.

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Mar. 30 (Reuter).

T.T. on Japan, 89-1/2.

SILVER MARKET

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Mar. 30 (Reuter).

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 57-00

May 1 Settlement 57-03

June Settlement 57-07

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

SINGAPORE RUBBER

Previous March 28
Closing Opening Closing Change
Buyers Buyers

S P O T 36-1/4 36 cts. 35-3/4 off 1/2

APRIL-JUNE 35-3/4 35-1/2 35-3/4 unch.

JULY-SEPT. 34-1/2 34-1/4 34-1/2

The market was quiet.

LONDON RUBBER

Previous close Today's close
Buyers Buyers Change

S P O T 11-3/16 11-1/8 off 1/16

A P R I L 11-3/16 11-1/8 off 1/16

M A Y 11-3/16 11-3/16 unch.

J U N E 11-1/2 11-1/8

JULY-SEPT. 11-1/16 11-1/16

OCT.-DEC. 10-15/16 10-15/16

The market was quiet but steady.

NEW YORK COTTON: There was a broader general demand which met with limited offerings. Prices closed firm on further talk of an export subsidy, while a better sale of goods, inducing more price-fixing, aided the market.

NEW YORK RUBBER: There was no pressure to sell and shipment positions were steady.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Easier under scattered selling due to reports of rain in Western Kansas. The weakness of the Winnipeg market is also an adverse influence.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 147.71; Today's close, 147.25; Change off 22.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

High Low Close Change

New York Cotton, May 10.57 10.48 10.48 0.04 up

New York Rubber, May 18.17 18.06 18.12 18.17 0.05 up

Chicago Wheat, May 108 104 105 104 1 off

Chicago Corn, May 57 56 56 56 1 off

New York Hides, June 13.75 13.55 13.70 13.55 0.15 off

NEW YORK COTTON Close Opening Closing Change

May 10.48/49 10.48/48 10.54/54 0.06 up

July 10.29/29 10.28/28 10.34/35 0.05 up

July (New contract) 10.42 N 10.40/43a 10.47 N 0.05 up

October 9.79/79 9.79/79 9.84/84 0.05 up

December 9.65/65 9.64/64 9.70/70 0.05 up

January 9.80 N 9.80 9.85 N 0.05 up

March 9.49/49 9.49/49 9.55 N 0.06 up

Spot 10.73 N 10.73 N 10.79 N 0.06 up

Total sales Wednesday:—51,300 bales.

First notice day for cotton:—1/5/40 and last day 22/5/40.

NEW YORK RUBBER

May 18.12/12 18.10b/20a 18.17b/20a 0.05 up

July 17.85b/86a 17.80/80 17.89/89 0.04 up

September 17.70b/75a 17.68/68 17.75b/78a 0.05 up

December 17.53/55 17.53/55 17.58/58 0.03 up

January 17.51 N 17.51 N 17.54 N 0.03 up

Total sales:—1,200 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT

May 105 1/105 104 1/105 104 1/105 1 off

July 103 1/103 103 1/103 103 1/103 1 off

September 103 1/103 103 1/103 103 1/103 1 off

Wednesday's sales:—25,333,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

May 56 1/56 56 1/56 56 1/56 1 up

July 57 1/57 57 1/57 57 1/57 1 up

September 58 1/58 58 1/58 58 1/58 1 up

WINNIPEG WHEAT

May 89 1/89 89 1/89 89 1/89 1 off

July 90 1/90 90 1/90 90 1/90 1 off

October 92 1/92 92 1/92 92 1/92 1 off

NEW YORK HIDES

June 13.70/70 13.72/69 13.55/55 0.15 off

September 13.95/97 13.93/90 13.79/79 0.16 off

New York, Official 34-3/4

NY-London Cross Rate 349-3/8

3.60

3 months 246 246-1/4

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

STOCKS Last Sale Mar. 28

Adams Express 7 1/2

Allegheny Steel Co. 2 1/2

Allied Stores 8

Allis Chalmers 3 1/2

Aluminum Ltd. 100

Amer. Can. 115

American Cyanamid B. 3 1/2

Amer. & Foreign Power 11

Amer. & Foreign P. of. 2 1/2

American Gas & Elec. 3 1/2

Amer. Locomotive 20 1/2

Amer. Metals Co. 2 1/2

Amer. Radiator 8 1/2

Amer. Rolling Mill 1 1/2

Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co. 1 1/2

Amer. Sugar Refining 19 1/2

Amer. Tel. & Tel. 17 1/2

Amer. Tobacco "B" 8 1/2

Amer. Waterworks 9 1/2

Anacosta Copper 29

Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe. 2 1/2

Auburn Motors 1 1/2

Baltimore & Ohio 5

Barber Asphalt Co. 1 1/2

Barnsdall Oil 14

Bendix Aviation 3 1/2

Bethlehem Steel 7 1/2

Bliss & Co. 1 1/2

Boeing Airplane Co. 2 1/2

Borg-Warner 22 1/2

Bridgeport Brass Corp. 11 1/2

Briggs Mfg. 21 1/2

Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans. 21 1/2

Brooklyn-Manhattan Tr. 9 1/2

Canadian Pacific R'way 5 1/2

Case, J.I. 68 1/2

Celanese 31

Cheapeake & Ohio 59 1/2

Chrysler Corp. 86

Climax-Molybdenum Co. 39

Colts Patent Fire-Arms 80 1/2

Columbia Gas & Elec. 8 1/2

Columbia, G. & "A" pf. 8 1/2

Commercial Credit Co. 4 1/2

Com. & Southern (Ord.) 45 1/2

Consolidated Edison 31

Consolidated Oil 48

Continental Can 22 1/2

Continental Oil 17 1/2

Copperweld Steel 60 1/2

Corn Products 10 1/2

Curtiss Wright (C.) 27 1/2

Curtiss Wright "A" 21 1/2

Deere & Co. 19 1/2

Distillers Corp. Seagrams 8 1/2

Douglas Aircraft 18 1/2

Du Pont de Nemours 11 1/2

Eagle Picher Lead 11 1/2

Eaton Mfg. Co. 33 1/2

Elec. Autolite 38 1/2

Elec. Bond & Share 8 1/2

Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf. 61

Elec. Bond & Share \$8 pf. 70

Elec. Power & Light \$7 pf. 30

Fisk Rubber 15 1/2

Flintkote 20 1/2

Gen. American Trans. 51 1/2

Gen. Electric 38 1/2

Gen. Motors 54 1/2

Gen. Railway Signal 17

Gen. Tire & Rubber 20 1/2

Glidden Co. 17 1/2

Goodrich (B.F.) 18 1/2

Goodrich \$5 pf. 65 1/2

Goodyear Tire & Co. 22 1/2

Great Northern Iron Ore 14

Great Northern Rly. pf. 23 1/2

Great Western Sugar 27 1/2

Grayhound Corp. 15 1/2

Hercules Powder Co. 97

Homestake Mining 57 1/2

International Harvester 53 1/2

Int. Nickel 23

Int. Tel. & Tel. 4 1/2

Johns-Manville 89

J. & Laughlin Steel \$7 pf. 58 1/2

Kennecott Copper 35 1/2

Lakey Foundry & Mac. 4 1/2

Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass 49

Lockheed Aircraft 33 1/2

Loew's Inc. 35 1/2

Loft Incorporated 36 1/2

Mack Truck Inc. 25 1/2

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A third exhibition of valuable Chinese paintings will be held at the Fung Ping-shan Library on Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. The show is being held under the joint auspices of the Association for the Advancement of Chinese Culture, Chinese-American Institute of Cultural Relations and The Sino-British Cultural Association.

Mr. Fung Chi-chien's well-known collection will be the main feature of the exhibition, admission to which is free.

MACAO FARES INCREASED

The high cost of coal occasioned by the hostilities in Europe has led shipping companies operating a service to Macao to increase fares.

The Chinese will be the hardest hit for the increase which comes into effect today, is confined to the lower classes, the fares for the first class saloon remaining the same.

COLONY HEALTH

Twenty-nine cases of tuberculosis, six cases of chicken-pox (one imported), two cases of enteric fever and two cases of diphtheria were notified to the Health Department on Mar. 29.

Aziz Khan, 27, described as a private watchman, who appeared before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Court on Saturday charged with unlawful possession of a dagger without a licence, was remanded on bail.

WEATHER REPORT

Hong Kong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., March 31.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.99 ins.

Temperature, 72 F.

Humidity, 72 per cent.

Wind Direction, N.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 1.

Temperature: maximum yesterday

70 F.

Temperature: minimum last night

64 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m.

to-day, 2.25 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st

14.17 ins.

Against an average of 5.89 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.38 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6.16 a.m.

4 p.m., March 31.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.98 ins.

Temperature, 74 F.

Humidity, 75 per cent.

Wind Direction, NW.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Maximum temperature, 78 F.

Minimum temperature, 64 F.

Rainfall: nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 1 to 7 Apr. 1940.

Days of Week	Date of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Mon.	1	h.m.	a.m.	h.m.	a.m.
		06 30	4.4	08 38	4.4
		16 30	5.7	23 38	2.1
Tues.	2	07 25	4.5	11 05	4.3
		17 50	5.7		
Wed.	3	07 55	4.8	09 44	3.0
		18 55	5.8	12 32	3.9
Thur.	4	08 20	5.0	01 30	2.0
		19 45	5.8	13 19	3.4
Fri.	5	08 40	5.4	01 51	2.0
		20 30	5.9	14 00	3.0
Sat.	6	09 06	5.6	02 26	1.9
		21 09	5.8	14 40	2.5
Sun.	7	09 20	5.9	02 55	2.0
		21 44	5.8	15 20	3.1

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Traffic in Queen's Road East was held up for about thirty minutes as the result of a landslide which occurred near the Royal Army Ordnance Depot on Saturday. The debris was later removed by P. W. D. coolies.

The Hongkong Branch of the Chinese Medical Association has decided to send Dr. Li Hsueh-liang to attend the Fifth National Conference of the Association scheduled to be held in Kunming April 2-4. In the event of Dr. Li's inability to go, Dr. Eze Sau-ming, who is now in Kunming, will be asked to attend the Conference instead.

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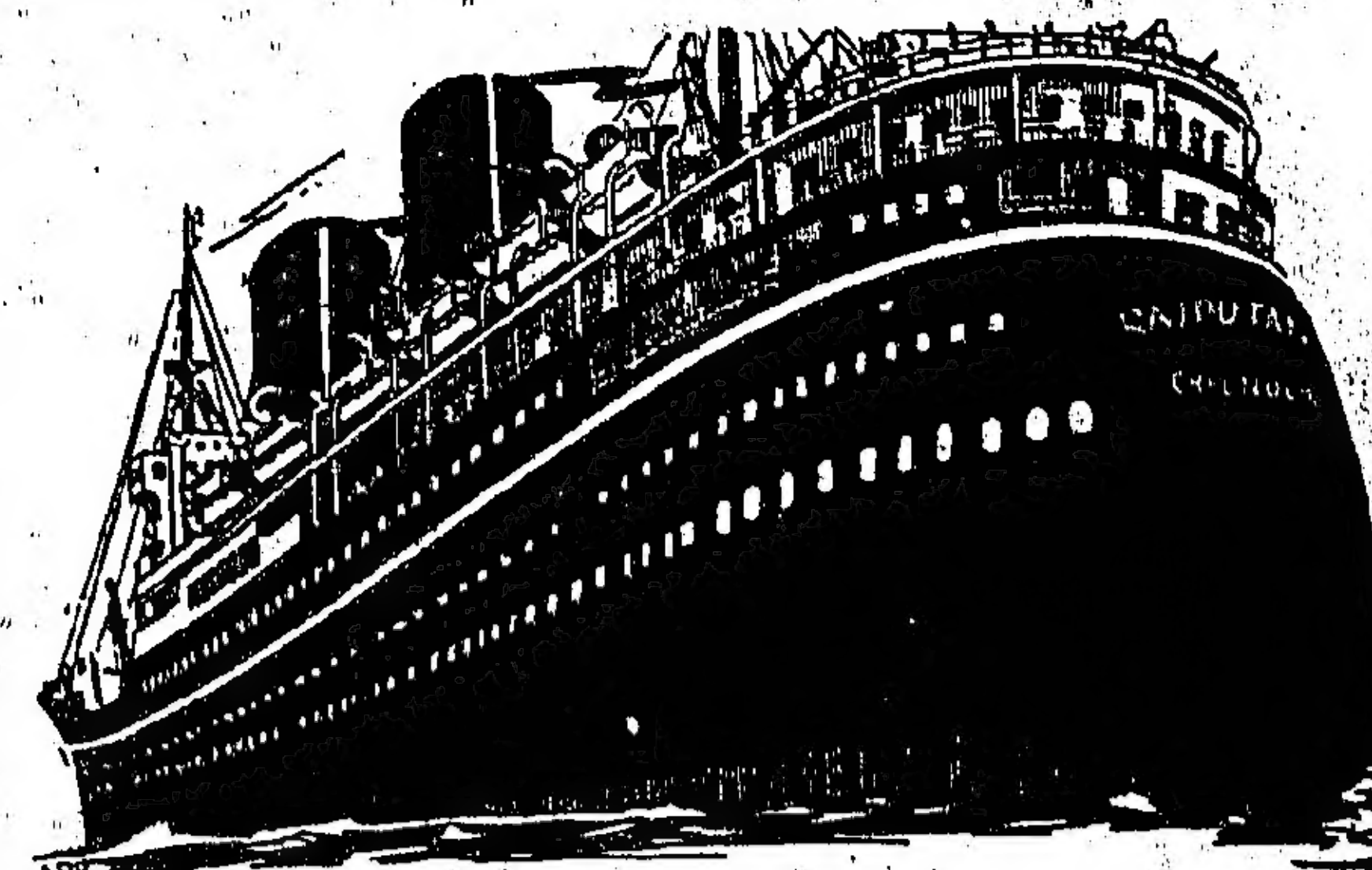
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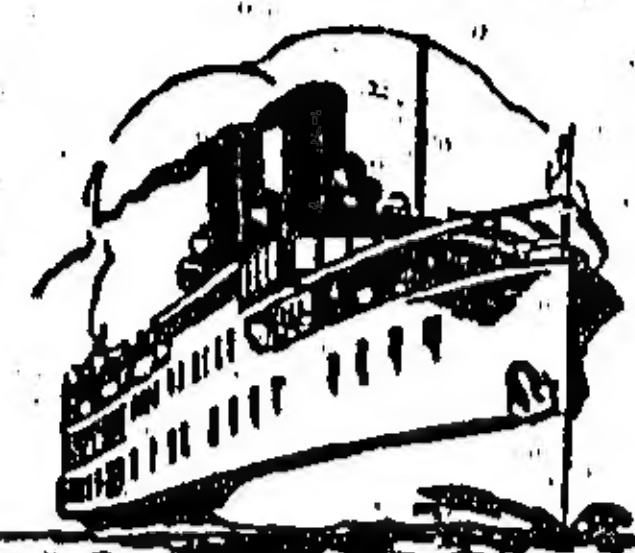
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Hong Kong, 28th March, 1940. [178]

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SOCCER AND BOWLS SUCCESSES REPORTED AT H.K.F.C. DINNER

The annual dinner of the Hongkong Football Club was held in the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel on Saturday night. There was a large gathering present, including the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Lt. H. S. Cooper, R.N., Lt. Comdr. Clarke, R.N., the Navy Rugby captain, Lt. Cuthbertson, the Army Rugby captain, and Messrs. J. McKelvie and J. S. Riddell, the Police Rugby coach.

Addressing the gathering, Mr. H. R. Forsyth, president of the club, said:—

"I have studied the soccer results for the season, and can only hope that our guests have not made the same mistake. From an examination of the League Tables it would appear that at least the Club can hold its place. Tabulated results, however, are often misleading and, in any case, why mourn the loss of Leagues and Shields, while we can still turn out at least two teams who can play and keep on playing."

"I think an outstanding feature this season is the number of young, fit, clean-limbed players from the Central British School who have joined the Club and are losing no time in proving their worth. Distinction has come to one of these recruits—we find that Bill Pryde, who quickly obtained his place in the first eleven, has been selected by the Association to take part in a representative match in Saigon. This infiltration of younger blood should have a stimulant, and I am confident that the traditional Club game—by that I mean as played by those who have the odd faculty of doing the unexpected—is safe for many years."

RUGBY TRIUMPHS

"In the field of Rugby, there has been an exceptional spate of success. The Club fifteen regained the Triangular Tournament trophy from Navy; they travelled at normal strength to Shanghai and defeated the Shanghai R.U. F.C. and the United States Marines; and closed the season by wrestling from the Police the

Blarney Stone Shield in the Seven-a-Side tournament.

"We congratulate 'Podger' Walkden, his vice-captain, Taylor, and all other players who contributed to these excellent results."

"Before passing on from Rugby, I wish to thank all those who have helped during the season as referees—it is a difficult and much criticised job but has been carried out consistently well by those concerned."

BOWLS SUCCESS

"We now come to lawn bowls and in this department I am glad to report sustained enthusiasm and successful results."

"Our first team in Second Division of the Lawn Bowls League managed to win the title and so gained promotion to First Division. This is a definite indication that our skill is improving, and it will be interesting to watch our progress in Senior Division."

"Having accomplished all this, however, players then became critical and decided that the wrong deduction in their shots was due entirely to the poor condition of their green."

"I am glad to say this has been rectified by having the green re-laid and the Committee hope that improved conditions will attract more players during the season now approaching."

"Our second team in Third Division played consistently well, and more than held their own in the League. In view of the greater number of bowlers at the Club's disposal during the coming year we expect big things of this team."

"I wish to congratulate one of our most enthusiastic bowlers—Arnold Brooksbank—on his achievement as champion for 1939. I also wish to thank Messrs. J. S. Howell and John Russell for their work on the bowls sub-committee during the year."

"Finally, our thanks are due to the sub-committee who arranged this function to-night, and especially to Ernie Strange, our Hon. Secretary, who has put in another year of excellent work." (Applause and prolonged cheers.)

Sir Atholl MacGregor replied for the guests. The Triangular Tournament trophy was presented to A. F. Walkden, Club captain, by Lieut.-Comdr. Clarke, the Navy captain.

CRAIGIE SPEECH CRITICISED

LONDON, Mar. 30 (Reuter).—"No deal with Japan" is the heading of the News-Chronicle editorial this morning criticising the British Ambassador's speech in Tokyo, and declaring: "Japan's work in China has been vile. If we now tried to buy the aggressor's support by deserting General Chiang Kai-shek and recognising the puppet Wang government, we should be making nonsense of all our pretensions about standing up to aggression."

"Among neutrals, and particularly in America, the effect of such a step would be appalling. At home the unity which is so vital to the successful prosecution of the war would receive a damaging blow if a deal were to be made with Japan at the expense of China's lawful Government, or even if it became known that such a deal were contemplated."

AMBASSADOR'S REVIEW
TOKYO, Mar. 30 (Reuter).—The British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigmiles, reviewing Anglo-Japanese British Society luncheon on Thursday, said no one could deny there had been difficulties.

However there was room for satisfaction that the innate good sense of their two nations, reflected in the wisdom of their respective Governments, had prevented the animosities of the moment from hardening into deep seated resentment or permanent estrangement.

U. S. INDIGNANT
WASHINGTON, Mar. 30 (Reuter).—Sir Robert Craigmiles, the British Ambassador, has stirred up bitter feelings in the United States by his speech in Tokyo on Thursday, at the meeting of the Anglo-Japanese Society.

Sir Robert was announcing his impending departure for the United States, and was at pains to emphasise that no political significance need be attached.

He is also reported to have said that there was growing understanding in Japan and Britain of the actions of the other.

The speech has created a painful impression in official quarters in Washington and comment ranges from the indignant to the bitter. Some very prominent personages in political quarters declared privately that the speech had done much to reinforce the isolationists in their distrust of Britain, which the pro-British elements had been striving to dissipate.

Sorry Show Of Politics

TOKYO, Mar. 31 (Reuter).—Expressing great satisfaction over the enactment of the huge Government legislative programme in the seventy-fifth Diet session which has just terminated, the Premier, Admiral Yonai, declared that the Government was determined to execute the Yen 10,500,000,000 Budget, and the legislation was approved by both House in a manner which will enable it to obtain the greatest possible results, and adopt measures to strengthen Japan's wartime structure, so that the aims of the disposal of the "China Incident" may be completely achieved.

PAPER'S CURRENTS
The Asahi Shimbun, on the other hand, comments that the session had been "a pretty sorry demonstration of politics" and that the government had "barely managed to muddle through by jumping on the Saito Affair as a 'lifeboat' when the situation looked ominous."

Remarking that the most heated debates concerned the merits of the Government's low price policy, and its programme for expanding national productivity, the Asahi Shimbun points out that these vexed problems still remain unsettled. Ultimate decisions concerning them, the paper says, must be reached by the Government independently of the Diet.

CHARITY GAME WON BY R.A.F.

LONDON, Mar. 31 (Reuter).—In a football match in aid of the Red Cross Fund, the Royal Air Force beat a Football Association eleven by 3 goals to 2. The game was played at Dulwich.

Nazi Convoy Attack Claim Refuted

LONDON, Mar. 31 (Reuter).—A German High Command communique states that an enemy convoy was attacked north of Flamborough Head yesterday and one protecting cruiser damaged, one merchant vessel sunk and another hit, according to a message from Berlin.

This claim is denied by the admiralty, which declares that no damage was done in the attack and that one German plane was downed.

NAZI BOMBER DOWNED
LONDON, Mar. 30 (Reuter).—Another enemy bomber has been destroyed off the north-east coast of Britain. It was one of several which had made successful attacks on convoys.

The first attack was carried out by only one plane, but several planes took part in the second raid, in which only two bombs were dropped.

These fell into the sea and no damage was done; the enemy planes were driven off by the fire of escorting warships.

The Germans admit the loss of the bomber.

A lifeboat which set out from a British port only found a patch of oil at the spot where the plane came down.

LOSS ADMITTED
LONDON, Mar. 31 (Reuter).—The plane brought down off the Northumberland coast is one which the Germans admitted was lost during last night's attack on the convoy.

ATTACK DESCRIBED
LONDON, Mar. 30 (Reuter).—The skipper of the trawler, Princess Royal, described today how eight Nazi bombers carried out an attack on his vessel on Thursday.

"At first," he said, "we thought the planes were our own, but then they came down one after the other and rained down incendiary bullets."

"The trawler was riddled but none of the crew was seriously hurt."

R.A.F. SUCCESSES
LONDON, Mar. 31 (Reuter).—Two Messerschmitts were shot down in flames by R.A.F. fighters over the German lines yesterday, according to an official announcement by the Commander-in-Chief of the British Air Forces.

A Dornier-17 was also intercepted and was last seen diving steeply into low clouds with one engine disabled.

NEW BRITISH AIR SERVICE

LONDON, Mar. 31 (Reuter).—The Spanish Government has given formal permission to the British Overseas Airways Corporation to fly from England to Lisbon over Spanish territory, thus allowing a bi-weekly service to be established between the United Kingdom and the terminus of the Pan-American Clipper service across the Atlantic.

The service is to be established in May, after experimental flights. The flight from England will take eight hours and the four "B" class airliners, used on the European air routes before the war, will be used.

ITALO-SPANISH SERVICE
MADRID, Mar. 31 (Havag).—An Italo-Spanish air convention has been signed here for commercial air services between the two countries.

The convention also covers co-operation between Italian and Spanish air companies engaged on other international air services.

FULL RESULTS OF SENIOR SHIELD

FIRST ROUND

Kwong Wah 2 v. South China "A" 5.

South China "B" 2 v. Kowloon 1.

Royal Scots 3 v. Club 3.

REPLAY

Royal Scots 4 v. Club 0.

SECOND ROUND

South China "B" 3 v. St. Joseph's 2.

South China "A" 4 v. Royal Navy 2.

Police 2 v. Middlesex 1.

Eastern 3 v. Royal Scots 0.

SEMI-FINALS

South China "A" 3 v. Police 2.

South China "B" 2 v. Eastern 4.

FINAL

Eastern 3 v. South China "A" 2.

FOREIGN MAILS

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From	Due
Shanghai	1st Apr.
Japan and Shanghai	1st Apr.
Japan and Shanghai	1st Apr.
Haiphong, Fort Bayard and Hothow	1st Apr.
Haiphong	1st Apr.
Straits	1st Apr.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 22nd March	2nd Apr.
Amoy	2nd Apr.
Haiphong	2nd Apr.
Manila	2nd Apr.
Japan and Shanghai	2nd Apr.
Saloon	2nd Apr.
Shanghai	2nd Apr.
Straits and Manila	2nd Apr.
Australia and Manila	2nd Apr.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 27th March	3rd Apr.
Shanghai	3rd Apr.
Shanghai and Amoy	3rd Apr.
Bangkok and Saigon	3rd Apr.
Shanghai	3rd Apr.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	3rd Apr.
Java and Manila	3rd Apr.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London, date 27th March	4th Apr.
Canton	4th Apr.
U. S. A., & Manila (San Francisco date, 28th Feb.)	4th Apr.
Japan	4th Apr.
Japan	4th Apr.
Canton	4th Apr.
Australia and Manila	5th Apr.
Straits and Saigon	5th Apr.
Straits	5th Apr.
Japan and Shanghai	5th Apr.
Europe via Suez and Straits—London date, 2nd March	6th Apr.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 6th March)	6th Apr.
Shanghai	6th Apr.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 30th March	7th Apr.
U.S.A., & Manila—(San Francisco date, 16th Mar.)	7th Apr.
Haiphong	7th Apr.
Shanghai and Amoy	7th Apr.
Haiphong	7th Apr.
Shanghai	8th Apr.
Canton	8th Apr.
Manila	8th Apr.
Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai—(Vancouver B.C. date, 23rd March)	11th Apr.
Sandakan	12th Apr.
Shanghai	14th Apr.

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For	Date and Time
MONDAY	
Parcels only for Tientsin	Mon. Apr. 1st 9.00 AM
Japan	10.30 AM
Haiphong	1.00 PM
Saloon	1.30 PM
Shanghai (Parcels only)	2.30 PM
Shanghai	2.30 PM
Straits and Calcutta	3.30 PM
Canton	7.00 PM
TUESDAY	
Shanghai	Tue. 2nd 8.30 AM
Straits and Calcutta	Parcels 11.00 AM
Shanghai and Japan	Ordn. Noon 1.30 PM
	K.P.O.
Parcels	4.00 PM
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U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada only)—due San Francisco, 18th April	Parcels 4.00 PM
	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	K.P.O.
Parcels	4.00 PM
Reg.	5.00 PM
Ord.	5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 3rd May	Parcels 4.00 PM
and London Parcels—due London 11th May	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	K.P.O.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 10th April	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
Air Mail for Malaysia, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 8th April	Reg. 5.00 PM
	Ord. 5.30 PM
	G.P.O.
WEDNESDAY	
Wed. 3rd	K.P.O.
Reg. 2nd 5.00 PM	
Ord. 2nd 5.30 PM	
	G.P.O.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 9th April	Reg. 2nd 5.00 PM
	Ord. 2nd 5.30 PM
	Straits
	8.30 AM
	G.P.O. & K.P.O.
Manila and London via Long-Sea - Route - due London, 13th May	Par. 2nd 5.00 PM
Amoy and Shanghai	Reg. 3rd 9.45 AM
	Ord. 3rd 10.30 AM
	2.30 PM

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